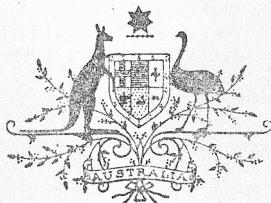


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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

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Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area—Square Miles.	Population (Excluding Full-blood Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—30th June, 1933.			Estimated 31st December, 1942.			Population—Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1940.
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W.	309,433	1,318,471	1,282,376	2,600,847	1,428,751	1,419,823	2,848,574	1,310,530
Victoria	87,884	903,244	917,017	1,820,261	976,663	993,314	1,969,977	1,076,700
Q'land	670,500	497,217	450,317	947,534	535,754	500,725	1,036,479	335,520
S. Aust.	380,070	290,962	289,987	580,949	303,980	306,291	610,271	(b)330,000
W. Aust.	975,920	233,937	204,915	438,852	241,568	228,342	469,910	228,000
Tasmania	26,215	115,097	112,502	227,599	122,101	119,336	241,437	66,620
N. Terr.	523,620	3,378	1,472	4,850	6,028	2,115	8,143	3,900
A.C.T. . .	939	4,805	4,142	8,947	6,213	5,618	11,831	11,000
Total ..	2,974,581	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,621,058	3,575,564	7,196,622	3,362,270

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Approximate.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

31st Dec.—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (b)	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1920	2,091,722	1,527,909	750,624	491,006	331,323	212,752	3,989	1,972	5,411,297
1930	2,546,353	1,792,605	916,736	574,467	431,610	225,297	4,964	8,719	6,500,751
1938	2,735,695	1,873,760	1,004,150	595,109	462,461	241,407	5,645	11,464	6,929,691
1939	2,764,782	1,886,356	1,018,477	598,463	467,376	242,422	7,187	12,263	6,997,326
1940	2,789,123	1,918,774	1,029,613	598,091	468,311	243,057	8,852	12,868	7,068,689
1941	2,812,321	1,952,153	1,036,830	605,689	467,082	241,171	9,615	12,361	7,137,222
1942	2,848,574	1,969,977	1,036,479	610,271	469,910	241,437	8,143	11,831	7,196,622

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (b)	Australia.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1920	2,067,715	1,512,093	745,957	486,619	330,023	210,350	4,211	2,174	5,359,142
1930	2,532,289	1,786,217	910,319	573,242	429,079	220,933	4,979	8,961	6,466,019
1938	2,721,196	1,867,818	1,000,749	592,579	459,977	235,678	5,726	11,124	6,894,847
1939	2,749,134	1,881,942	1,013,327	596,137	465,042	238,001	6,273	11,990	6,961,846
1940	2,776,154	1,903,941	1,024,807	598,222	468,005	240,243	8,244	12,745	7,032,361
1941	2,799,155	1,937,133	1,034,799	600,335	467,992	239,417	10,140	13,081	7,102,052
1942	2,831,021	1,965,998	1,034,322	608,308	470,100	240,119	8,803	12,191	7,170,862

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.

(b) Prior to 1911 part of New South Wales.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

Quarter ended 31st March, 1943.

State or Territory.	Births.			Deaths.(a)			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales	6,689	6,432	13,121	3,467	2,803	6,270	7,164
Victoria.. ..	4,703	4,350	9,053	2,292	2,172	4,464	5,292
Queensland ..	2,636	2,537	5,173	1,382	948	2,330	2,568
South Australia ..	1,674	1,561	3,235	803	742	1,545	1,838
Western Australia	1,222	1,194	2,416	595	423	1,018	1,245
Tasmania ..	674	681	1,305	294	258	552	657
Northern Territory	10	10	20	12	1	13	10
Australian Capital Territory ..	52	46	98	8	3	11	26
Total ..	17,660	16,761	34,421	8,853	7,350	16,203	18,800

(a) Excludes deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

State or Territory.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	First Three Months of—	
					1942.	1943

BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	48,003	49,382	51,729	52,647	13,192	13,121
Victoria	30,493	31,962	34,406	35,927	9,179	9,053
Queensland ..	20,348	20,412	21,519	21,166	5,377	5,173
South Australia ..	9,618	10,017	10,965	11,278	2,805	3,235
Western Australia ..	9,036	9,121	10,118	9,901	2,660	2,416
Tasmania	5,004	4,994	5,206	5,305	1,273	1,305
Northern Territory ..	138	173	216	92	22	20
Australian Capital Territory	251	286	366	392	113	98
Total	122,891	126,347	134,525	136,708	34,621	34,421

BIRTH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

					(a)	(a)
New South Wales ..	17.46	17.79	18.48	18.60	18.64	18.37
Victoria	16.20	16.79	17.76	18.27	18.68	18.28
Queensland ..	20.08	19.92	20.80	20.46	20.80	19.81
South Australia ..	16.13	16.74	18.26	18.54	18.45	21.12
Western Australia ..	19.43	19.49	21.62	21.06	22.64	20.49
Tasmania	21.03	20.79	21.75	22.09	21.21	21.58
Northern Territory ..	22.00	20.98	21.30	10.45	10.00	9.64
Australian Capital Territory	20.93	22.44	27.98	32.15	37.08	34.39
Total	17.65	17.96	18.94	19.06	19.31	19.05

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	First Three Months of—	
					1942.	1943.

DEATHS(a)—NUMBER.

New South Wales	26,815	26,143	27,300	29,219	6,016	6,270
Victoria	20,169	20,293	20,522	21,973	4,521	4,464
Queensland	9,530	9,203	9,530	9,622	2,288	2,330
South Australia	5,739	5,708	6,288	6,712	1,389	1,545
Western Australia	4,336	4,486	4,769	5,076	1,107	1,018
Tasmania	2,426	2,387	2,575	2,430	549	552
Northern Territory	88	86	122	83	20	13
Australian Capital Territory	44	78	70	76	14	11
Total	69,147	68,384	71,176	75,191	15,904	16,203

(a) Excludes deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

DEATH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

					(a)	(a)
New South Wales	9.75	9.42	9.75	10.32	8.50	8.78
Victoria	10.72	10.66	10.59	11.18	9.20	9.01
Queensland	9.40	8.98	9.21	9.30	8.85	8.92
South Australia	9.63	9.54	10.47	11.03	9.14	10.08
Western Australia	9.32	9.59	10.19	10.80	9.42	8.63
Tasmania	10.19	9.94	10.76	10.12	9.15	9.13
Northern Territory	14.03	10.43	12.03	9.43	9.09	6.26
Australian Capital Territory	3.67	6.12	5.35	6.23	4.59	3.86
Total	9.93	9.72	10.02	10.49	8.87	8.97

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales	25,471	30,364	29,983	34,533	9,292	7,164
Victoria	17,368	22,299	20,898	23,636	6,685	5,292
Queensland	9,108	10,287	9,885	11,722	2,953	2,568
South Australia	5,670	6,950	6,855	8,129	2,140	1,838
Western Australia	4,195	5,234	5,077	5,441	1,590	1,245
Tasmania	2,264	2,476	2,150	2,431	648	657
Northern Territory	85	154	179	53	29	10
Australian Capital Territory	88	125	121	115	29	26
Total	64,249	77,889	75,148	86,060	23,366	18,800

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	First Three Months of—	
					1942.	1943.

MARRIAGE-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

					(a)	(a)
New South Wales	9.27	10.94	10.02	12.20	13.13	10.03
Victoria	9.23	11.71	10.79	12.02	13.60	10.68
Queensland	8.99	10.04	9.55	11.33	11.42	9.83
South Australia	9.51	11.62	11.42	13.36	14.08	12.00
Western Australia	9.02	11.18	10.85	11.57	13.53	10.56
Tasmania	9.51	10.31	8.98	10.12	10.80	10.86
Northern Territory	13.55	18.68	17.65	6.02	13.18	4.82
Australian Capital Territory	7.34	9.81	9.25	9.43	9.52	9.12
Total	9.23	11.08	10.58	12.00	13.03	10.40

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales	1,969	1,927	2,264	2,115	447	511
Victoria	1,085	1,261	1,246	1,497	282	303
Queensland	722	721	842	734	186	219
South Australia	336	356	356	448	80	114
Western Australia	369	403	357	365	94	94
Tasmania	203	176	255	225	47	44
Northern Territory	8	8	18	4	..	4
Australian Capital Territory	6	3	6	9	2	1
Total	4,698	4,855	5,344	5,397	1,138	1,290

INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

New South Wales	41.02	39.02	43.77	40.17	33.88	38.95
Victoria	35.58	39.45	36.21	41.67	30.72	33.47
Queensland	35.48	35.32	39.13	34.68	34.59	42.34
South Australia	34.93	35.54	32.47	39.73	28.52	35.24
Western Australia	40.84	44.18	35.28	36.86	35.34	38.91
Tasmania	40.57	35.24	48.98	42.41	36.92	33.72
Northern Territory	57.97	46.24	83.33	43.48	..	200.00
Australian Capital Territory	23.90	10.49	16.39	25.51	17.70	10.20
Total	38.23	38.43	39.72	39.48	32.87	37.48

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1921-25 ..	289,695	188,357	478,052	171,974	122,535	294,509	183,543
1926-30 ..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,013	147,409	340,422	130,058
1931-35 ..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	(a) 10,886
1936-40 ..	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1936 ..	29,726	30,168	59,894	29,045	29,352	58,397	1,497
1937 ..	35,123	34,679	69,802	32,161	32,438	64,599	5,203
1938 ..	39,910	38,018	77,928	34,206	34,685	68,791	9,137
1939 ..	37,719	37,366	75,085	31,491	29,703	61,194	13,891
1940 ..	19,296	19,307	38,603	13,998	11,205	25,203	13,400
1941 ..	11,861	10,800	22,661	10,063	7,414	17,477	5,184

(a) Excess of Departures over Arrivals.

Section II.—Production.
PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.
AREA OF CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Total Area of Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1937-38 ..	13,734,951	1,408,422	320,207	2,982,465	369,896	21,951,731
1938-39 ..	14,346,380	1,784,205	324,146	3,250,260	368,592	23,497,780
1939-40 ..	13,285,005	1,681,962	311,812	2,998,642	374,967	22,249,512
1940-41 ..	12,644,646	1,722,902	362,861	2,353,506	371,623	21,118,189
1941-42 ..	12,003,483	1,460,472	301,360	2,758,045	(a) 362,478	20,505,082
1942-43 ..	9,280,345	1,496,913	285,194	2,399,111	329,047	17,478,100

TOTAL PRODUCTION.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Cane Sugar.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1937-38 ..	187,255,673	17,165,061	6,816,612	3,423,753	5,494,610	810,319
1938-39 ..	155,368,621	15,554,735	7,056,642	3,321,161	5,678,894	820,086
1939-40 ..	210,487,306	25,301,980	6,560,065	4,158,064	6,313,369	928,621
1940-41 ..	82,233,324	10,199,218	9,192,744	2,177,470	5,523,416	806,457
1941-42 ..	166,712,865	22,302,478	7,436,174	a 3,577,168	5,153,670	745,980
1942-43 ..	155,727,983	20,984,148	6,970,108	3,069,255	4,641,969	a 625,000

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.(b)	Tons.(b)
1937-38 ..	13.63	12.19	21.29	1.15	21.48	3.17
1938-39 ..	10.83	8.72	21.77	1.02	21.65	3.13
1939-40 ..	15.84	15.04	21.04	1.39	23.15	3.41
1940-41 ..	6.50	5.92	25.33	0.93	20.20	2.95
1941-42 ..	13.89	15.27	24.68	(a) 1.30	(a) 20.25	2.93
1942-43 ..	16.78	14.02	24.44	1.28	19.26	(a) 2.59

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Per acre of productive crop.

AREA OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1937-38	4,464,664	2,686,057	372,935	3,161,739	3,026,420	21,081	2,055	13,734,951
1938-39	4,650,872	2,748,362	442,017	3,080,401	3,412,818	9,849	2,061	14,346,380
1939-40	4,380,595	2,827,417	362,044	2,734,595	2,970,411	7,495	2,448	13,285,005
1940-41	4,453,963	2,672,728	322,081	2,560,390	2,625,401	8,038	2,045	12,644,646
1941-42(a)	3,968,758	2,757,080	290,801	2,325,717	2,653,419	6,414	1,294	12,003,483
1942-43(a)	3,032,946	2,145,156	334,785	2,009,027	1,753,178	4,128	1,125	9,280,345

TOTAL PRODUCTION OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1937-38	55,104,000	48,173,191	3,749,443	43,428,423	36,224,800	526,007	49,809	187,255,673
1938-39	59,898,000	18,104,369	8,583,736	31,674,418	36,843,600	205,263	59,235	155,868,621
1939-40	76,552,000	45,054,592	6,794,906	41,071,696	40,861,000	107,719	45,393	210,487,306
1940-41	23,933,100	13,521,422	5,687,350	17,856,118	21,060,000	140,375	34,959	82,233,324
1941-42(a)	48,500,000	46,953,840	3,079,898	30,511,112	37,500,000	145,191	22,824	166,712,865
1942-43(a)	51,693,045	41,803,107	5,005,065	36,525,459	20,600,000	73,320	27,987	155,727,983

(a) Revised.

Principal Crops—Australia—continued.
AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Australia
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1937-38	12.34	17.93	10.05	13.74	11.97	24.95	24.24	18.63
1938-39	12.88	6.59	19.42	10.28	10.79	20.84	28.74	10.83
1939-40	17.48	15.93	18.77	15.02	13.76	14.37	18.54	15.84
1940-41	5.37	5.06	17.66	6.97	8.02	17.46	17.69	6.60
1941-42a	12.22	17.03	10.59	13.12	14.13	17.92	17.64	13.89
1942-43a	17.04	19.49	14.95	18.18	11.75	17.76	24.88	16.78

(a) Revised.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK.

31st Dec.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria. (a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N.Terr.	A.C.T. (a)	Australia.
SHEEP.									
1937	51,563,181	18,863,467	22,497,970	8,904,402	8,732,076	2,520,950	26,856	263,616	113,372,518
1938	48,876,663	17,007,852	23,158,569	9,936,586	9,177,531	2,625,690	29,901	245,540	111,057,823
1939	54,372,472	18,251,570	24,190,931	9,940,570	9,574,433	2,677,120	33,587	259,408	119,305,391
1940	55,568,000	20,412,362	23,936,099	10,263,423	9,516,272	2,682,375	33,703	281,791	122,694,025
1941	56,737,000	20,598,201	25,196,245	10,245,894	9,722,780	2,398,201	28,245	262,563	125,189,129
1942b	56,043,598	19,614,040	25,650,231	10,370,565	10,424,885	2,226,906	34,603	250,344	124,614,672

CATTLE.

1937	3,010,581	1,880,429	5,959,165	324,163	740,241	254,812	891,640	8,325	13,078,356
1938	2,811,884	1,697,295	6,097,089	318,897	767,680	262,407	899,472	7,057	12,861,781
1939	2,762,653	1,787,597	6,198,798	351,013	799,175	252,484	922,581	5,879	13,080,180
1940	2,769,061	1,922,336	6,210,810	376,654	788,928	259,108	922,308	6,636	13,255,841
1941	2,878,450	1,986,544	6,303,467	399,143	839,731	253,106	892,881	7,432	13,560,754
1942b	3,030,546	2,022,892	6,466,316	424,253	831,231	244,681	978,434	6,967	14,005,320

HORSES.

1937	523,625	359,106	445,916	197,334	151,067	31,578	31,662	1,225	1,746,513
1938	531,355	343,828	444,521	195,834	143,674	30,453	33,191	1,195	1,724,056
1939	534,837	326,217	444,956	190,013	139,207	29,605	32,721	1,241	1,698,797
1940	531,776	318,441	441,770	182,206	130,057	29,406	30,716	1,244	1,665,616
1941	525,697	302,401	431,363	171,092	124,402	28,612	26,209	1,283	1,611,059
1942b	483,277	292,534	392,639	164,855	112,782	27,077	26,209	1,143	1,500,516

Pigs.

1937	356,765	235,259	232,941	66,647	64,598	43,067	388	417	1,100,082
1938	377,344	252,462	325,326	71,292	82,922	45,317	355	573	1,155,591
1939	451,064	297,655	391,333	119,660	149,804	44,941	483	601	1,455,341
1940	507,788	397,445	435,966	190,068	217,910	46,713	407	593	1,797,340
1941	454,102	235,227	352,360	114,244	163,196	44,519	418	854	1,414,920
1942b	486,960	307,920	409,348	156,243	151,958	49,251	532	779	1,563,000

(a) March, year following.

(b) As at 31st March, 1943.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED.

Season.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land. (b)	S. Aust.	W. Aust (b)	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	Australia.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1936-37	505,375,065	163,048,510	153,766,368	76,004,296	69,935,210	14,067,000	35,000	982,881,449
1937-38	496,824,150	178,890,131	174,751,280	86,606,388	70,634,855	15,598,509	35,000	1,023,390,304
1938-39	439,049,939	165,829,182	179,458,589	102,888,121	78,802,143	17,519,000	35,000	983,581,974
1939-40	548,605,998	179,125,526	195,770,277	105,265,869	80,657,367	16,334,000	35,000	1,127,694,037
1940-41	539,035,404	187,831,364	214,704,450	106,046,992	76,170,000	17,078,157	308,128	1,141,774,495
1941-42	549,203,170	(c)	204,119,026	105,124,013	78,500,000	16,985,404	(c)	1,130,000,000

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) For year ended previous 31st December.

(c) Not available.

(d) Estimated.

NOTE.—The figure of 195,770,277 lb. shown for Queensland for 1939-40 relates to production in the year ended December, 1939. The estimated production in the year ended June, 1940, was 214,860,000 lb.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
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BUTTER.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1937-38..	53,966	63,090	52,788	10,013	6,863	5,356	6	192,082
1938-39..	53,045	58,291	70,369	9,249	7,254	5,284	8	203,500
1939-40..	52,149	73,583	63,771	10,240	6,942	5,295	7	211,987
1940-41..	48,466	69,797	53,544	9,545	6,802	4,729	10	192,893
1941-42..	39,831	62,763	43,582	9,133	7,612	4,602	7	167,530
1942-43(b)	43,677	55,988	50,829	9,311	6,976	4,379	7	171,167

CHEESE.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1937-38..	3,574	7,351	5,341	6,927	395	1,683	..	25,271
1938-39..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1939-40..	3,038	10,935	6,182	9,174	378	1,447	..	31,154
1940-41..	2,888	8,204	5,239	8,673	428	1,357	..	26,789
1941-42..	2,348	10,064	7,304	8,439	586	1,412	..	30,153
1942-43(b)	2,352	10,868	12,718	8,011	728	860	..	35,537

BACON AND HAM.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1937-38..	9,542	7,454 (a)	8,753	2,766 (a)	1,790	1,096	1	31,402
1938-39..	11,794	7,370	8,492	2,673	1,894	1,015	..	33,238
1939-40..	11,627	7,985	8,947	3,146	2,086	1,292	..	35,083
1940-41..	14,091	8,946	10,299	3,345	2,304	913	1	39,899
1941-42..	15,293 (b)	8,602 (b)	10,934	3,942	2,766	937	1 (b)	42,475
1942-43(b)	11,471	8,773	10,719	4,196	3,974	1,171	1	40,305

(a) Excludes Bacon and Ham made from green bacon.

(b) Subject to revision.

QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Gold.	Black Coal.	Copper.	Pig-iron. (a)	Lead.	Silver.	Tin.	Zinc.
	Fine oz.	Ton.	Ton.	Ton.	Ton.	Oz.	Ton.	Ton.
1937 ..	1,381,135	12,074,274	19,789	913,406	240,036	13,773,080	3,099	146,740
1938 ..	1,592,034	11,680,159	20,326	929,676	239,590	13,895,541	3,331	163,331
1939 ..	1,645,697	13,535,142	(b)	1,104,605	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1940 ..	1,043,999	11,725,653	(b)	1,212,006	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1941 ..	1,496,698	14,212,451	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1942(c) ..	1,153,787	14,900,000	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1943—								
1st Qtr.	(c) 198,642	3,572,012	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
2nd Qtr.	(c) 186,358	3,298,786	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

(a) Year ended June.

(b) Not available for publication.

(c) Subject to revision.

VALUE(a) OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Australia.
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GOLD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1937 ..	595,855	1,266,507	1,104,760	60,372	8,683,921	176,130	100,462	11,993,007
1938 ..	780,958	1,273,351	1,334,788	46,922	10,286,349	195,079	109,103	14,026,615
1939 ..	843,985	1,533,899	1,428,598	38,595	11,796,085	192,599	163,414	16,002,472
1940 ..	1,068,692	1,924,396	1,351,654	34,892	12,697,219	204,248	233,549	17,519,950
1941 ..	941,244	1,600,016	1,164,621	17,908	11,852,452	212,710	201,599	15,990,550
1942(b)	807,436	1,060,910	1,007,790	11,290	8,865,806	194,144	132,869	12,080,245

SILVER AND LEAD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1937 ..	4,310,613	491	1,172,531	371	27,844	308,262	328	5,820,440
1938 ..	3,520,465	647	926,614	70	29,477	267,773	..	4,745,046
1939 ..	3,546,440	726	1,010,856	61	32,890	291,980	..	4,882,953
1940 ..	4,454,085	969	1,342,550	391	35,107	500,218	4	6,333,324
1941 ..	4,456,973	2,410	1,324,349	837	37,648	433,643	..	6,255,860

(a) Except for Gold, the values shown are those published by the Mines Departments of the several States. Gold is valued in Australian currency.

(b) Subject to revision.

Value of Principal Minerals Produced—continued.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Aust.
COPPER.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1937 ..	72,406	..	308,968	21,620	986	759,332	55	1,163,367
1938 ..	87,905	..	203,967	15,333	1,275	580,238	4,362	893,080
1939 ..	105,407	..	289,927	6,612	1,373	668,561	2,248	1,074,123
1940 ..	103,701	..	428,263	21,083	873	717,464	1,072	1,272,456
1941 ..	117,490	..	620,996	41,390	154	721,985	3,185	1,505,200

TIN.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1937 ..	336,628	44,127	202,614	..	12,421	260,673	7,205	863,668
1938 ..	286,768	28,650	141,547	..	7,421	244,037	3,205	711,628
1939 ..	366,138	47,233	200,652	..	3,871	282,798	4,487	905,179
1940 ..	373,435	32,253	223,626	..	5,174	367,127	4,533	1,006,148
1941 ..	443,123	19,569	204,232	..	1,874	328,340	4,041	1,001,179

COAL (Black and Brown).								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1937 ..	5,823,469	497,319	934,107	..	340,444	66,883	..	7,662,222
1938 ..	5,603,842	539,822	958,884	..	375,083	61,991	..	7,539,622
1939 ..	6,768,659	645,766	1,167,844	..	362,811	74,460	..	9,019,540
1940 ..	6,125,585	622,001	1,151,567	..	364,500	63,688	..	8,327,341
1941 ..	8,265,881	726,754	1,404,646	..	389,278	85,311	..	10,871,870

ALL MINERALS.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1937 ..	11,981,891	1,832,195	4,392,492	2,509,449	9,230,182	2,282,365	205,851	32,434,425
1938 ..	10,731,391	1,884,015	3,966,119	2,932,473	10,844,469	1,889,804	214,724	32,462,995
1939 ..	12,123,751	2,248,169	4,556,962	3,320,181	12,288,532	2,056,741	244,478	36,838,814
1940 ..	12,791,293	2,596,117	5,105,629	3,218,237	13,230,552	2,749,817	311,024	40,002,669
1941 ..	15,073,833	2,371,568	5,300,600	3,187,093	12,399,351	2,650,271	274,172	41,256,888

ESTIMATED GROSS VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry and Bee-farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing. (a)	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1935-36 ..	75,388	91,286	47,533	11,424	23,248	155,891	404,770
1936-37 ..	91,403	105,499	49,886	11,765	27,381	170,811	458,745
1937-38 ..	93,229	100,794	57,641	14,755	32,434	188,061	486,914
1938-39 ..	76,851	84,895	60,404	14,634	32,463	195,746	464,993
1939-40 ..	95,369	104,972	62,070	15,347	36,839	212,488	527,085
1940-41 ..	71,398	111,232	62,523	16,847	40,003	248,751	550,754

(a) Net value. These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to the inclusion in those tables of certain products which in this table are included with Dairy Farming and Forestry.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed. (a)	Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value of Production.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1936-37	25,668	523,948	90,123,132	246,203,232	260,578,903	177,684,645	451,829,278
1937-38	26,395	559,160	102,078,550	257,998,600	287,243,412	196,488,024	498,779,141
1938-39	26,941	565,106	106,743,062	274,582,541	281,303,446	203,416,610	500,419,977
1939-40	27,111	587,663	114,517,633	285,209,557	315,076,697	221,295,153	553,253,317
1940-41	27,300	650,073	137,919,068	305,449,890	367,157,852	257,914,349	644,794,908
1941-42	26,971	725,342	180,052,212	324,647,756	433,160,480	316,439,028	773,058,971

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1939-40.							
1. Factories .. No.	9,458	9,215	8,064	2,265	2,129	980	27,111
2. Hands employed (a) ..	236,974	212,461	55,541	45,050	22,967	14,670	587,663
3. Wages paid (b) ..	47,692,551	39,576,293	11,440,661	8,546,800	4,575,180	2,686,148	114,517,633
4. Value of fuel used ..	8,135,614	4,358,419	1,538,782	1,130,137	1,198,194	520,321	16,881,467
5. " materials used ..	134,453,735	95,917,551	46,241,222	22,162,881	10,081,364	6,219,944	315,076,697
6. " production ..	96,609,307	74,028,431	20,973,138	14,403,520	9,027,728	6,253,029	221,295,153
7. " output of fact's ..	239,193,656	174,804,401	68,753,142	37,696,538	20,807,286	12,993,294	553,253,317
8. " land & buildings ..	58,939,150	43,791,176	12,456,458	9,539,249	6,863,468	3,775,605	135,365,106
9. " plant & mchnry. ..	64,801,584	40,905,886	18,217,831	11,106,194	8,025,068	6,787,888	149,844,461
1940-41.							
1. Factories .. No.	9,919	9,121	2,972	2,230	2,056	1,002	27,300
2. Hands employed (a) ..	265,751	237,636	57,269	50,844	22,734	15,839	650,073
3. Wages paid (b) ..	57,759,532	49,796,607	12,163,763	10,418,901	4,720,563	3,059,702	137,919,088
4. Value of fuel used ..	9,620,123	5,138,787	1,655,937	1,400,683	1,309,748	597,429	19,722,707
5. " materials used ..	161,252,339	115,209,347	46,036,189	25,283,544	11,498,304	6,978,129	367,157,862
6. " production ..	115,044,388	89,000,711	21,644,338	16,916,102	9,016,922	6,291,888	257,914,349
7. " output of fact's ..	285,916,850	209,343,845	70,236,464	43,600,329	21,824,974	13,867,446	644,794,908
8. " land & buildings ..	61,886,528	47,092,751	12,594,215	11,480,505	6,802,488	4,237,169	144,093,656
9. " plant & mchnry. ..	68,533,346	44,985,756	18,501,758	14,391,653	7,394,680	7,549,041	161,356,234

(c) 1941-42.

1. Factories .. No.	10,166	8,918	2,788	2,167	1,938	994	26,971
2. Hands employed (a) ..	298,245	258,400	61,909	65,252	23,980	17,556	725,342
3. Wages paid (b) ..	75,757,656	64,363,277	14,476,768	16,234,164	5,499,568	3,720,779	180,052,212
4. Value of fuel used ..	11,228,813	6,144,579	1,915,087	2,066,010	1,399,228	705,746	23,459,463
5. " materials used ..	189,469,148	140,198,887	49,384,624	33,264,628	12,452,275	8,390,918	433,160,480
6. " production ..	138,790,351	110,937,614	24,830,339	24,565,855	10,100,531	7,214,338	316,439,028
7. " output of fact's ..	339,488,312	257,231,080	76,130,050	59,896,493	23,952,034	16,311,002	773,058,971
8. " land & buildings ..	65,015,509	49,635,859	13,082,394	16,665,829	7,093,250	4,384,553	155,877,394
9. " plant & mchnry. ..	70,611,613	47,656,375	18,771,893	16,808,122	7,309,560	7,612,799	168,770,362

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.
(c) Subject to revision.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Class of Industry.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£	£	£	£
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products ..	5,146,151	5,167,331	5,733,723	5,846,992
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	5,571,757	5,544,215	6,154,014	6,191,079
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils and Grease ..	12,456,370	14,154,787	18,395,727	24,828,034
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements and Conveyances ..	62,434,973	67,121,371	85,949,318	119,872,922
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery and Plate ..	931,085	1,034,742	1,274,021	1,315,010
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods ..	10,917,765	14,070,938	17,936,299	20,953,759
VII. Skins and Leather ..	3,182,881	3,807,146	4,465,300	5,156,273
VIII. Clothing ..	16,551,031	17,458,783	19,638,286	23,634,446
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	41,601,107	45,436,266	48,516,665	53,154,567
X. Woodworking and Basketware ..	9,460,742	10,080,889	11,371,496	12,971,441
XI. Furniture, Bedding, &c. ..	4,200,035	4,183,018	4,648,226	4,863,463
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. ..	14,559,073	15,358,198	16,237,985	17,080,273
XIII. Rubber ..	2,761,075	3,089,764	3,055,014	3,861,465
XIV. Musical Instruments ..	136,432	141,324	169,337	190,238
XV. Miscellaneous Products ..	2,097,998	2,432,047	2,788,046	4,009,285
XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..	11,408,135	12,214,334	11,580,892	12,509,781
Total ..	203,416,610	221,295,153	257,914,349	316,439,028

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1941-42.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages(a) ..	22.31	25.02	19.02	27.10	22.96	22.81	23.29
Fuel and Light ..	3.31	2.39	2.51	3.45	5.84	4.33	3.04
Materials used ..	55.81	54.49	64.87	55.54	51.99	51.44	56.03
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses and charges ..	18.57	18.10	13.60	13.91	19.21	21.42	17.64
Total output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on value of Production ..	54.58	58.02	58.30	66.08	54.45	51.57	56.90

(a) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee.(a)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1938-39—Males ..	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.95	235.49	212.09	231.84
Females	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1939-40—Males ..	247.12	233.40	244.01	223.78	240.48	215.82	239.08
Females	107.20	113.55	98.71	90.85	99.45	97.41	108.09
1940-41—Males ..	265.35	260.54	249.92	242.30	251.14	229.34	258.77
Females	115.79	125.37	102.43	101.13	102.11	107.18	117.65
1941-42—Males ..	309.85	308.76	274.06	292.68	276.88	253.09	301.86
Females	134.96	148.57	116.88	134.47	111.89	116.55	138.44

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed over whole year, 1941-42.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males ..	216,856	175,691	49,695	49,918	18,834	13,389	524,383
Females ..	81,389	82,709	12,214	15,334	5,146	4,167	200,959
Masculinity(a) ..	266	212	407	326	366	321	261

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1933-34 ..	4,481,616	870,955	5,352,571	4,770,663	640,647	5,411,310
1934-35 ..	4,846,060	1,148,190	5,994,250	5,340,159	554,635	5,894,794
1935-36 ..	5,290,675	947,001	6,237,676	5,598,276	708,608	6,306,884
1936-37 ..	5,440,911	833,279	6,274,190	5,611,826	725,755	6,337,581
1937-38 ..	5,911,146	1,217,258	7,128,404	6,078,499	1,014,559	7,093,058
1938-39 ..	5,964,039	746,960	6,710,999	5,989,521	845,192	6,834,713

NOTE.—Later figures are not available for publication.

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped, States. (,000 omitted.)

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns, but are additional.

State or Territory.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.
1938-39.								
New South Wales ..	3,167	676	1,179	1,112	2,736	672	1,679	359
Victoria ..	2,283	251	1,465	609	867	256	589	270
Queensland ..	325	396	340	176	317	152	864	64
South Australia ..	853	223	497	184	2,630	260	1,171	91
Western Australia ..	158	175	647	94	55	65	768	175
Tasmania ..	285	259	78	13	614	324	67	134
Northern Territory ..	3	23	2	3	2	2	..	..
Total ..	7,074	2,003	4,208	2,191	7,221	1,731	5,138	1,093
Total 1937-38 ..	6,909	2,114	4,366	2,280	7,032	1,877	5,731	1,088
„ 1936-37 ..	6,416	1,830	3,656	2,024	6,501	1,597	5,028	933
„ 1935-36 ..	5,241	1,964	3,532	1,949	5,541	1,503	5,214	894
„ 1934-35 ..	5,070	1,656	2,970	1,722	5,244	1,346	5,221	858

NOTE.—Later figures are not available for publication.

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 30th JUNE, 1943.

These rates (except those marked with an asterisk) are subject to a "war-time risk" surcharge of 15 per cent.

(Expressed in sterling and subject to adjustment on account of exchange when freight prepaid in Australia—18 per cent. on refrigerated cargo rates and 25 per cent. on other cargo rates.)

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—		
Butter (Refrigerator) ..	..	5s. 8d. per box (56 lb.).
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	..	1½d. per lb.
Eggs (in shell) ..	..	168s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—		
Beef ..	..	1½d. per lb.
Lamb ..	..	1½d. " "
Mutton ..	..	1½d. " "
Rabbits and Hares ..	..	122s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins ..	..	107s. " " "
Sausage Casings (dried in casks or cases) ..	..	107s. " " "
Milk and Cream (condensed) ..	..	107s. " " "
FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—		
*Sugar (Raw) ..	..	153s. per ton weight.
Jams ..	..	85s. per ton measurement.
Jellies ..	..	107s. " " "
Dried Fruits ..	..	85s. " " "
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator) ..	..	6s. per bushel case.
Oranges (bushel cases) ..	..	6s. " " "
*Wheat, Unprepared, Parcels ..	..	135s. 6d. per ton weight.
*Barley, Unprepared ..	..	150s. 9d. " " "
*Oats, Unprepared ..	..	160s. " " "
*Maize, Unprepared ..	..	149s. " " "
*Flour, Wheaten ..	..	145s. 6d. " " "
*Bran ..	..	164s. " " "
*Pollard ..	..	155s. " " "
*Rice (clean, husked) ..	..	155s. " " "
WINE ..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—		
Hides and Skins—Calf ..	..	¾d. per lb.
Sheep ..	..	1½d. per lb.
Rabbit ..	..	2 ¾d. " "
Other ..	..	2 ¾d. " "
Pearl-shell ..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
Wool—Greasy ..	..	1½d. per lb.
Tops ..	..	2½d. " "
VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—		
Compressed Fodder ..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
*Bark, Tanning ..	..	107s. per ton weight.
Copra ..	..	104s. 3d. per ton measurement.
Sandalwood ..	..	107s. " " "
Raw Cotton (in bales) ..	..	1½d. per lb. " " "

**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and
Continent at 30th June, 1943—continued.**

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—					
Apparel and Attire .. .. .	..	..	..	107s.	per ton measurement.
Binder Twine .. .. .	..	..	..	187s.	per ton weight.
OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—					
Oils, Eucalyptus .. .. .	..	..	..	107s.	per ton measurement.
Other .. .. .	..	..	..	120s.	3d. per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined .. .. .	..	..	..	120s.	3d. " " "
PAINTS AND VARNISHES				107s.	per ton measurement.
ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—					
Ore (in casks) .. .. .	..	..	..	126s.	per ton weight.
*Zinc, Ex Risdon .. .. .	..	..	..	56s.	" " "
*Other than above .. .. .	..	..	..	81s.	" " "
Dust (in cases) .. .. .	..	..	..	252s.	" " "
Sheet (in cases) .. .. .	..	..	..	110s.	" " "
*Copper .. .. .	..	..	..	90s.	" " "
*Lead .. .. .	..	..	..	81s.	" " "
*Steel, Billets (up to 20 ft.) .. .. .	..	..	..	111s.	" " "
" (over 20 and up to 30 ft.) .. .. .	..	..	..	127s.	" " "
Tyres .. .. .	..	..	..	94s.	6d. " " "
Tin, Clippings in Ingot form .. .. .	..	..	..	36s.	6d. " " "
RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUB- STITUTES THEREFOR—					
Rubber .. .. .	..	..	..	96s.	6d. per ton measurement.
Leather .. .. .	..	..	..	234s.	3d. per ton weight.
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—					
Timber, Logs up to 40 ft. lengths .. .. .	..	..	..	40s.	per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50 ft. lengths .. .. .	..	..	..	43s.	" " "
" over 50 and up to 60 ft. lengths .. .. .	..	..	..	46s.	3d. " " "
Sawn, Undressed, up to 30 ft. lengths .. .. .	..	..	..	23s.	6d. " " "
EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA AND GLASS				107s.	per ton measurement.
STATIONERY				107s.	" " "
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—					
Fertilizers .. .. .	..	..	..	107s.	" " "
MISCELLANEOUS—					
Soap .. .. .	..	..	..	107s.	" " "
Casein .. .. .	..	..	..	168s.	3d. " " "
SPECIE				25s.	per cent.

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS' SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,
GENERAL CARGO, 30th JUNE, 1943.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To.	From—					
	Brisbane.		Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Trans- shipped.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Sydney.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane .. .. .	..	..	31 0.6	..	40 6.0	..
Sydney	31 0.6	..	..	..	29 8.4	..
Melbourne	40 6.0	..	29 8.4	..	..	..
Adelaide	51 3.6	..	40 6.0	..	29 8.4	..
Fremantle	62 4.8	72 4.8	55 10.8	..	49 4.8	..
Hobart	50 8.4	65 6.4	28 7.2	..	28 7.2	..
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	44 2.4	51 2.4	28 7.2	..	26 0.0	..
Auckland .. .. .	..	..	46 6.0	..	46 6.0	83 8.0
Wellington .. .. .	..	..	47 6.0	..	47 6.0	84 8.0
Lyttleton .. .. .	..	..	46 6.0	83 0.0	46 6.0	83 8.0
Dunedin .. .. .	..	..	46 6.0	83 0.0	46 6.0	83 8.0
New Hebrides .. .. .	..	..	81 0.0	..	..	116 9.0
Norfolk Island .. .. .	..	..	67 6.0	..	..	103 3.0
Papua	81 0.0	..	81 0.0	..	101 3.0	..

NOTE.—The table above includes the following "war-time risk" surcharges :—30 per cent. in respect of Fremantle Hobart, Launceston, Devonport and Burnie; 35 per cent. in respect of the remaining ports, excepting New Zealand; 12½ per cent. on 38s. 6d. plus 7½ per cent. in respect of New Zealand ports, plus 35 per cent. on 22s. where transhipped at Sydney.

COMMERCE—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

State or Territory.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40. (a)	1940-41. (a)	1941-42. (a)
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	51,062,364	46,347,953	51,448,678	46,032,964	
Victoria	39,222,998	35,455,336	41,908,342	45,529,833	
Queensland	8,237,506	7,955,818	8,765,948	6,338,886	
South Australia	7,473,802	5,851,043	6,717,006	5,461,204	(b)
Western Australia	6,394,342	5,388,710	5,511,107	4,258,954	
Tasmania	1,539,345	1,193,086	1,272,133	943,521	
Northern Territory	44,703	29,406	61,691	84,694	
Total	113,975,060	102,156,352	115,675,505	108,650,056	149,355,797 (c)

VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS.(c)

AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

State or Territory.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40. (a)	1940-41. (a)	1941-42. (a)
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	48,411,044	45,903,080	53,003,739	49,622,072	
Victoria	41,243,667	30,819,012	36,431,975	36,652,733	
Queensland	26,558,516	28,651,842	32,195,195	25,245,247	
South Australia	19,057,243	14,840,603	15,087,279	13,196,561	(b)
Western Australia	19,471,792	17,070,499	9,592,321	8,436,435	
Tasmania	2,831,205	3,198,547	2,426,235	1,559,664	
Northern Territory	6,053	12,729	12,814	24,865	
Total(d)	157,580,120	140,496,312	148,749,558	134,737,577	159,328,498 (f)

(a) Excludes gold, silver and bronze. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Goods destined for oversea countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the oversea country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally dispatched. (d) Estimated British currency values are shown below. (e) Complete, includes Governmental imports valued at £stg. 16,094,000 for which Customs entries were not passed. (f) Complete, includes £A 12,645,000 exported on Governmental account for which Customs entries were not passed.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE OF, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

Year.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head.											
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.									
								Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.							
	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
1937-38	239,812,939	113,975,060	122,675,945	3,161,934	125,837,879	34 18 9	16 12 1	17 17 5	0 9 3	18 6 8							
1938-39	214,357,724	102,156,352	108,188,167	4,013,205	112,201,372	30 18 10	14 14 11	15 12 4	0 11 7	16 3 11							
1939-40	234,437,627	115,675,505	117,280,891	1,481,231	118,762,122	33 10 2	16 10 8	16 15 3	0 4 8	16 19 6							
1940-41	216,224,068	108,650,056	106,015,055	1,559,857	107,574,912	30 16 9	15 9 11	15 2 5	0 4 5	15 6 10							
1941-42	276,564,178	149,355,797	125,714,550	1,493,831	127,208,381	38 15 0	20 18 6	17 12 4	0 4 2	17 16 6							
1942-43 (three months)	68,942,775	46,387,589	22,008,642	546,544	22,555,186												

(a) Excludes the value of Stores shipped in Australian ports on board oversea ships. The values of Ships' Stores in Australian currency were:—1937-38, £2,091,249; 1938-39, £2,105,619; 1939-40, £2,539,848; 1940-41, £3,528,555; 1941-42, £5,791,983. (b) Excludes gold, silver and bronze.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£(a)	£	£(b)	£	£	£
1937-38	111,733,254	2,241,806	113,975,060	112,281,676	13,556,203	125,837,879	548,422	11,314,397	11,862,819
1938-39	99,313,150	2,843,202	102,156,352	97,032,575	15,168,797	112,201,372	2,280,575	12,325,595	10,045,020
1939-40	116,675,505	(c)	(c)	118,762,122	(c)	(c)	3,086,617	(c)	(c)
1940-41	108,650,056	(c)	(c)	107,574,912	(c)	(c)	1,075,144	(c)	(c)
1941-42	149,355,797	(c)	(c)	127,208,381	(c)	(c)	22,147,416	(c)	(c)
1942-43 (three months)	46,387,589	(c)	(c)	22,555,186	(c)	(c)	23,832,403	(c)	(c)

(a) The values in Australian currency were:—1937-38, £140,632,800; 1938-39, £121,533,300; 1939-40, £148,749,558; 1940-41, £134,737,577; 1941-42, £159,328,498; and 1942-43 (three months), £28,250,371. (b) The values in Australian currency are shown above. (c) Not available for publication.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes an excess of imports.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions and Total Net Revenue collected during the June quarters of 1942 and 1943, the calendar years 1941 and 1942 and the financial years 1941-42 and 1942-43.

Division.	June Quarter.		Year ended December—		Financial Year.	
	1942.	1943.	1941.	1942.	1941-42.	1942-43.
CUSTOMS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages ..	196,399	171,231	1,040,221	726,023	887,482	751,662
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof ..	1,565,761	1,329,394	5,694,285	6,846,014	5,871,161	6,754,187
3. Sugar ..	17,216	34	4,839	17,254	18,795	195
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries ..	171,820	140,353	1,058,932	784,711	878,849	778,099
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire ..	592,307	210,513	1,889,928	1,985,719	2,206,090	1,354,856
6. Metals and Machinery ..	432,825	220,114	1,362,163	1,643,939	1,611,945	1,257,692
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	1,824,626	1,559,807	9,605,509	6,752,959	7,452,493	6,201,418
8. Earthenware, &c. ..	54,962	19,447	265,279	202,003	257,491	130,583
9. Drugs and Chemicals ..	57,132	37,313	245,823	244,499	240,632	235,108
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..	29,170	31,124	279,202	109,089	202,407	100,540
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	100,186	78,538	474,941	347,678	411,512	330,002
12. Leather and Rubber ..	56,480	74,197	493,432	230,336	402,902	228,710
13. Paper and Stationery ..	26,497	11,986	146,171	83,265	122,316	57,204
14. Vehicles ..	47,893	19,184	730,390	257,762	721,724	132,239
15. Musical Instruments ..	619	83	5,439	2,657	3,946	1,332
16. Miscellaneous ..	214,108	137,022	842,992	765,085	896,091	697,109
Primage ..	769,753	550,642	3,481,783	2,833,074	3,361,287	2,409,068
Ships' Stores ..	7,964	8,822	35,292	32,626	33,207	35,231
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	40,400	23,233	88,583	120,171	112,344	117,577
Special War Duty ..	283,097	185,050	1,292,373	1,141,154	1,283,340	975,489
Total Customs ..	6,489,215	4,808,087	29,037,577	25,126,018	26,976,014	22,548,301
EXCISE.						
Beer ..	3,251,250	5,117,388	13,277,628	16,401,048	14,362,561	19,632,696
Carbonic Acid Gas ..	82,650	73,424	191,120	373,042	324,067	339,336
Cigarette Papers ..	202,392	205,555	788,840	843,337	816,809	850,381
Matches ..	159,022	316,160	379,000	841,870	526,135	1,141,634
Petrol ..	120,062	98,849	1,976,282	629,941	1,278,162	403,214
Playing Cards ..	2,293	10,501	14,518	21,594	12,491	39,549
Spirits ..	785,229	1,377,243	3,026,068	3,510,636	3,059,783	4,629,199
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff ..	3,178,179	4,170,831	9,533,060	14,697,729	11,232,812	17,030,758
Other Excise, including Licences, &c. ..	56,082	67,639	186,787	235,677	221,354	274,343
Total Excise ..	7,837,159	11,437,590	29,373,303	37,554,874	31,834,174	44,341,110
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	14,326,374	16,245,677	58,410,880	62,680,892	58,810,188	66,889,411
Drawbacks and Re-payments ..	522,778	470,951	2,387,654	2,106,075	2,032,844	2,028,320
TOTAL NET REVENUE ..	13,803,596	15,774,726	56,023,226	60,574,817	56,777,344	64,861,091

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to revision.)

IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	50,676	37,832	619,950	225,514
Fresh, Smoked, Potted, &c.	40,342	26,980	196,675	133,647
Meats—				
Preserved in Tins	900	1,185	5,305	5,424
Potted and Concentrated ..	3,397	13,209	27,871	10,885
Sausage Casings	85,179	46,573	177,601	345,865
Other	62	14	296	29,934
Milk and Cream	578	2,297	957	18,276
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	8,612	19,730	42,137	34,967
Total, Class I.	189,746	147,820	1,070,792	804,512
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN, ETC.				
Caramel and Cocoa Butter ..	3,822	1,475	63,933	13,781
Cocoa and Chocolate	19,172	106,489	462,883	208,620
Coffee and Chicory	70,473	152,456	146,376	200,047
Confectionery	930	126	3,803	4,479
Fruits—				
Dried, including Dates ..	165	194	87,231	81,819
Fresh—				
Bananas	2,053	..	11,787	4,907
Other	173	93	898	2,260
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i. pre-served in liquid	804	2,549	6,406	6,111
Ginger	4,264	812	26,596	13,893
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared	43,796	77,126	118,476	198,815
Prepared—				
Rice	4,878	77	15,751	19,052
Other	3,119	3,779	8,686	47,638
Infants' and Invalids' Foods ..	7,705	5,386	31,476	21,781
Liquorice	4,168	1,401	11,338	7,843
Mustard	2	..	102	2
Nuts, Edible	73,786	61,748	295,295	272,152
Pickles and Sauces	1,851	18	4,447	3,766
Sago and Tapioca	22,919	8	70,849	47,038
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape ..	19,509	27,843	49,828	39,461
Spices	36,818	54,409	82,772	110,976
Sugar and Sugar Products	13,120	5,243	46,791	74,792
Tea	1,457,645	1,039,156	2,884,731	3,919,448
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	28,166	1,128	181,341	78,909
Total, Class II.	1,819,338	1,541,516	4,611,796	5,377,590
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry ..	2,656	196	14,099	13,376
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	95	69	4,068	104
Gin	7,674	993	32,871	20,552
Rum	1,000	86	12,844	2,038
Whisky	68,015	52,436	521,294	299,780
Other, including Liqueurs ..	1,754	1,258	11,257	7,079
Wine (Fermented)—				
Sparkling	114	..	1,127	169
Other	654	24	4,348	2,305
Total, Class III.	81,962	55,062	601,908	345,403

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	14,634	4,414	33,541	47,021
Unmanufactured	66,770	480,295	442,687	745,874
Cigars	300	168	826	486
Cigarettes	10,970	669	17,651	33,123
Snuff	202	..	646	1,154
Total, Class IV. ..	92,876	485,546	495,351	827,658
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS ..	26,491	617	44,616	32,011
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	4,181	962	23,332	21,779
Gut, Natural and Imitation ..	1,582	593	12,177	2,356
Hair and Fibre	90,175	4,765	172,305	167,836
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse ..	34,952	159,318	70,555	154,396
Sheep	2,114	173	1,819	3,341
Other	61,015	18,076	165,169	166,581
Silk, Raw	76,124	..	562,508	89,019
Wool	48,010	1,470	288,898	113,996
Other Animal Substances ..	18,939	2,977	39,178	44,908
Total, Class VI. ..	337,092	188,334	1,335,941	764,212
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Copra	65,201	133,121	178,593	225,563
Cork and Cork Manufactures ..	15,872	8,438	131,456	119,612
Fibres—				
Cotton, Raw	502,398	(a)	1,062,657	(a)
Kapok	66,832	3,646	161,458	171,937
Other	201,239	90,481	495,858	660,166
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking,				
Furniture, Mats, &c. ..	7,958	1	32,067	21,133
Gums and Resins	137,894	142,607	462,933	584,922
Pulp for Paper-making ..	181,039	136,220	699,272	852,276
Seeds—				
Gardening and Horticultural	3,940	21,837	37,773	40,904
Linseed	210,073	224,505	510,644	595,446
Other	40,731	47,455	206,948	142,378
Tanning Substances	26,838	41,298	96,297	255,327
Other Vegetable Substances ..	5,079	453	16,371	10,773
Total, Class VII. ..	1,465,094	(a)	4,092,327	(a)
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE.				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c.				
(other than knitted) ..	11,560	23	28,236	39,353
Boots and Shoes	16,671	4,749	76,973	50,236
Buttons	21,742	9,793	85,937	76,682
Furs and Skins wholly or partly				
made up, dressed or prepared	25,268	..	138,084	42,701
Gloves	108,292	35,028	234,004	475,404
Hats and Caps	29,729	3,322	106,858	114,205
Knitted Articles of Apparel—				
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, &c.	6,752	3,464	18,153	36,897
Socks and Stockings	5,553	3,139	18,184	35,001
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. ..	1,189	19	7,026	3,304
Trimmings and Ornaments ..	90,550	77,845	251,939	299,288
Other Apparel and Attire ..	421,625	128,554	502,438	770,975
Total, Apparel and Attire	738,931	265,936	1,467,832	1,944,046

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS VIII.—(b) TEXTILES.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Floor Coverings	606,774	93,818	1,568,554	1,801,300
Cosies, Cushions, D'Oyleys ..	13,413	20,611	36,406	55,452
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen	76,120	69,280	207,825	350,851
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck	266,223	237,245	1,009,084	901,112
Cotton and Linen	2,162,505	1,745,130	7,772,372	7,923,903
Hessian and Jute Piece Goods	205,858	265,590	831,537	1,204,182
Lace for Attire, &c. ..	76,467	42,375	204,023	310,817
Silk, including Artificial Silk ..	787,914	1,219,582	3,062,947	4,107,265
Velvets, Plushes, &c. ..	43,499	45,127	148,882	267,473
Woollens	95,723	85,664	217,273	784,416
Other	285,580	265,096	1,077,249	1,114,032
Quilts, Tablecloths, Sheets, &c.	49,361	55,128	129,564	240,124
Sewing Cottons, Threads, &c. ..	199,398	219,060	769,465	693,176
Towels and Towelling	146,380	127,143	434,605	617,849
Other Textiles	60,981	213,000	168,080	475,215
Total, Textiles	5,076,196	4,703,849	17,637,866	20,847,161
CLASS VIII.—(c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff and Fodder	19,268	57,590	221,891	194,659
Corn and Flour	609,050	229,608	1,770,990	2,690,805
Wool-packs	202,534	101,569	981,918	504,162
Other	30,132	735	17,346	68,886
Cordage and Twines	20,839	70,416	214,421	287,831
Yarns—				
Artificial Silk	341,813	228,940	1,098,108	1,351,188
Cotton	233,551	207,254	720,604	714,825
Wool	16,713	4,403	34,966	51,090
Other	10,207	11,582	51,060	57,242
Total, Yarns, &c.	1,484,107	912,097	5,111,304	5,920,688
Total, Class VIII.	7,299,234	5,881,882	24,217,002	28,711,895
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c.	137,053	17,167	335,269	395,668
Linseed Oil	1,031	..	4,693	1,429
Olive Oil	23,455	10	24,896	29,685
Other Oils				
Total, Class IX.			Included in Grand Total.	
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours	222,873	121,203	681,349	668,933
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c.	5,207	3,984	10,734	19,962
Total, Class X.	228,080	125,187	692,083	688,895
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Pitch ..	20,885	11,540	190,737	201,810
Stone (including Marble and Slate)—				
Abrasives	102,936	(a)	220,194	(a)
Other Stones	3,213	2,886	11,423	15,533
Other Minerals, &c.	128,807	333,690	701,326	655,327
Total, Class XI.	255,841	(a)	1,123,680	(a)

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS XII.—(a) MACHINES AND MACHINERY.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Electrical Machinery, &c.—				
Batteries and Accumulators ..	23,635	17,049	33,905	58,229
Cable and Wire, covered ..	299,267	402,011	1,222,034	1,029,463
Dynamo Electric Machines ..	138,038	138,072	602,308	581,024
Lamps, Filament ..	41,140	41,944	160,084	179,467
Telegraph, Telephone Instruments, &c. ..	193,380	61,469	382,491	368,280
Other ..	336,850	422,310	1,302,185	1,435,279
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c., Machinery ..	10,364	7,506	66,102	33,425
Dairying Machinery ..	17,042	6,052	69,326	59,036
Mining Machinery ..	50,115	41,060	285,066	180,675
Motive-power Machinery ..	1,302,503	(a)	2,830,391	(a)
Printing Machinery ..	14,597	16,741	137,513	49,888
Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings	149,506	195,620	434,185	588,894
Sewing Machines ..	93,221	60,129	371,290	275,850
Sheep-shearing Machinery ..	11,061	5,884	28,039	40,833
Weighing Machines ..	15,057	9,798	26,106	41,455
Yarn and Textile Machinery ..	164,567	105,719	649,652	574,971
Other Machines and Machinery	1,385,506	(a)	4,636,354	(a)
Total, Machines and Machinery	4,245,849	(a)	13,237,031	(a)
CLASS XII.—(b) METALS AND MANUFACTURES.				
Bolts, Nuts, Rivets, Washers ..	8,872	9,075	31,207	34,484
Leaf and Foil ..	60,830	46,330	149,273	115,010
Nails ..	10,563	6,026	23,702	30,544
Pins, Hooks, Eyes, &c. ..	26,324	15,452	89,544	90,067
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c.	495	..	1,031	1,946
Wire ..	27,688	15,691	87,819	99,448
Lamps and Lampware ..	58,349	46,951	184,247	180,212
Platedware and Cutlery ..	240,821	92,143	615,900	633,958
Tools of Trade ..	270,171	370,975	824,051	927,715
Cycles and Cycle Parts ..	128,556	61,520	341,763	377,272
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Bodies and Parts ..	1,813	103	22,064	4,734
Chassis and Parts ..	1,650,958	(a)	3,535,559	(a)
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c. ..	18,866	101,057	65,285	301,179
Other ..	6,635,298	(a)	17,841,779	(a)
Total, Metals, &c. ..	9,139,604	(a)	23,813,224	(a)
Total, Class XII. ..	13,385,453	(a)	37,050,255	(a)
CLASS XIII.—(a) RUBBER AND MANUFACTURES.				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c. ..	860,905	(a)	2,322,444	(a)
Rubber Manufactures—				
Boot and Apparel Elastic, Rubber Thread ..	53,322	35,298	187,245	235,499
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other ..	2,140	37,161	11,387	147,746
Other ..	19,950	9,390	81,585	108,881
Total, Rubber, &c. ..	936,317	(a)	2,602,661	(a)

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS XIII.—(b) LEATHER, ETC.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Leather	12,146	12,184	35,635	58,764
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	22,016	8,869	64,923	73,558
Total, Leather, &c. ..	34,162	21,053	100,558	132,322
Total, Class XIII. ..	970,479	(a)	2,703,219	(a)
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber—				
Dressed	17,801	13,487	101,077	82,711
Undressed	178,675	(a)	726,073	(a)
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	56,933	15,619	232,612	167,161
Total, Class XIV. ..	253,409	(a)	1,059,762	(a)
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Crockery and other Household Ware	199,316	147,082	604,035	740,709
Glass and Glassware	258,388	108,786	662,574	741,461
Other Earthenware, Cements, China and Stoneware ..	151,422	40,986	363,725	431,323
Total, Class XV. ..	609,126	296,854	1,630,334	1,913,493
CLASS XVI.—(a) PAPER.				
Millboards and other boards ..	58,726	8,705	229,830	138,487
Parchment	62,672	26,887	200,708	130,872
Printing	371,917	13,824	2,195,465	1,077,006
Wrapping	121,893	17,200	408,645	241,268
Writing and Typewriting ..	84,620	29,020	831,845	263,079
Other	160,289	82,735	562,698	543,350
Total, Paper	860,117	178,371	4,429,191	2,394,062
CLASS XVI.—(b) STATIONERY, ETC.				
Books (printed), Directories, &c.	256,689	132,959	772,405	779,732
Price Lists, Circulars, &c. ..	8,652	3,573	31,431	27,541
Paperhangings and Wallpapers ..	26,616	321	52,860	66,999
Pens and Pencils	46,655	21,999	159,577	145,437
Other Stationery	142,545	69,787	351,277	390,422
Total, Stationery, &c. ..	481,157	228,639	1,367,550	1,410,131
Total, Class XVI. ..	1,341,274	407,010	5,796,741	3,804,193
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, ETC.				
Fancy Goods—				
Articles for games	12,291	2,790	54,721	33,159
Toys	41,350	1,634	93,070	72,294
Other	59,004	34,297	158,349	199,872
Jewellery—				
Precious Stones (Unset)—				
Pearls, Cameos, &c. ..	48,457	26,556	147,976	107,381
Other	31,577	4,456	64,029	90,933
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c.	73,118	53,662	311,501	253,287
Total, Class XVII. ..	265,797	123,395	829,646	756,926

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Films for Cinematographs, &c...	171,954	77,290	509,575	532,653
Optical and Meteorological Instruments, &c.	35,263	32,971	136,445	138,818
Surgical and Dental Instruments	152,662	165,741	607,278	717,835
Phonographs, &c.	11,081	5,180	42,537	42,051
Other Instruments	164,392	73,624	408,528	467,600
Total, Class XVIII.	535,352	354,806	1,704,363	1,898,957
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acids	43,921	(a)	154,004	(a)
Argol	17,459	11,304	93,302	53,961
Cream of Tartar and Substitutes	224	144	29,597	883
Drugs, Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines	91,912	139,131	375,207	306,575
Other	181,259	80,755	387,844	422,014
Dyes	236,115	120,736	653,794	613,890
Fertilizers	146,666	76,301	695,864	540,333
Insecticides, Washes and Dips . .	33,933	11,845	71,175	158,442
Oils, Essential (non-spirituous) . .	64,238	10,010	173,922	141,942
Perfumery and Preparations . . .	73,009	19,035	171,466	225,341
Salt	9,007	1,721	34,361	36,472
Spirituous Preparations—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices, Syrups . .	6,816	2,883	19,472	23,543
Other	22,937	6,590	35,454	60,828
Other Drugs and Chemicals	825,613	(a)	2,698,091	(a)
Total, Class XIX.	1,753,109	(a)	5,593,553	(a)
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Articles of Celluloid, &c.	36,188	31,739	183,174	179,796
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, &c.	42,046	6,968	123,866	119,692
Brushware—				
Vacuum Cleaners (Household)	31,780	523	75,201	79,870
Other	17,961	13,770	38,243	62,166
Goods imported per parcel post	173,486	107,861	362,883	630,981
Musical Instruments, &c.—				
Pianos	2,701	2,016	9,205	7,649
Player Pianos	154	..	697	154
Piano and Player Piano Parts	4,267	306	7,423	12,491
Other Instruments and Parts	12,456	2,238	49,388	34,142
Oilmen's Stores	14,060	2,547	99,850	38,870
Soap	14,263	1,991	35,995	35,938
All other Articles				
Total, Class XX.	Included in Grand Total.			
Grand Total—MERCHANDISE	35,336,936	46,387,589	108,650,056	149,355,797b

ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Grand Total—MERCHANDISE	44,259,512	58,100,455	136,084,197	187,068,136

NOTE.—Class XXI. is not available for publication.

(a) Not available for publication.

(b) See Note (e), page 15.

EXPORTS (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Butter	1,335,361	1,296,974	11,973,485	8,124,975
Butter Substitutes	142,097	79,086	165,004	727,497
Cheese	320,162	187,538	1,543,909	1,428,118
Eggs	76,732	41,980	1,168,112	1,165,442
Meats—				
Bacon and Hams	158,366	83,105	439,684	395,031
Potted or Concentrated	34,096	52,886	82,528	110,533
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	1,101,951	331,300	3,761,732	2,498,416
Lamb	216,686	295,372	5,864,519	4,498,081
Mutton	45,226	50,677	277,964	172,712
Pork	508,244	11,611	2,302,656	1,107,929
Rabbits and Hares	5,592	1,122	102,175	8,901
Preserved in Tins	1,004,531	950,999	1,873,853	4,550,344
Sausage Casings	89,905	54,825	426,168	445,469
Other	60,390	115,482	687,013	307,551
Milk and Cream	477,806	350,764	1,528,951	2,059,724
Other Animal Foodstuffs	239,706	59,254	176,421	380,081
Total, Class I. . .	5,816,851	3,962,975	32,374,174	27,980,804
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa, Coffee and Chicory, Fruit Juices, &c.	81,683	72,533	209,119	293,289
Biscuits	290,574	523,658	266,638	709,916
Confectionery	85,068	25,246	224,009	231,703
Fodders	22,077	18,791	51,194	62,478
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants	216,674	209,672	574,648	462,665
Raisins	1,024,101	1,036,207	1,790,990	1,958,522
Other	103,512	31,641	129,741	175,736
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples	32,385	1,442	105,140	41,699
Citrus	50,445	84,740	222,381	191,141
Other	3,148	1,396	65,577	6,079
Fruits, preserved in liquid	500,249	60,898	802,970	909,036
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped	27,030	12,463	97,366	212,278
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley	49,729	17,625	141,343	171,690
Wheat	456,691	1,451,199	9,247,836	4,644,793
Other	17,724	9,541	184,469	60,383
Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps	19,518	13,970	138,006	87,612
Flour (Wheaten)	1,545,783	814,552	7,427,132	4,191,382
Rice	68,041	70,861	207,672	239,002
Other	178,688	68,842	396,933	454,767
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	6,756	67	274	30,585
Jams and Fruit Jellies	448,703	133,365	929,458	960,937
Sugar	527,218	47,414	4,880,402	2,636,430
Tea	26,237	34,165	47,514	114,735
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	298,134	259,979	481,100	986,452
Total, Class II. . .	6,080,168	5,000,267	28,621,912	19,833,310

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry ..	666,104	220,636	1,373,221	1,539,650
Spirits (Beverages) ..	188,411	104,858	431,338	608,495
Wine	155,133	59,059	516,413	497,864
Total, Class III. ..	1,009,648	384,553	2,320,972	2,646,009
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..	128,905	58,289	258,487	389,524
Tobacco	115,460	110,980	289,422	451,724
Total, Class IV. ..	244,365	169,269	547,909	841,248
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle	456	..	4,573	1,275
Horses	24,156	20,603	128,624	49,247
Sheep	24,012	236	99,550	54,211
Other Living Animals..	3,275	71	4,653	9,439
Total, Class V. ..	51,899	20,910	237,400	114,172
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Béche-de-mer	2,904	..	5,437	4,720
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	65,279	15,700	155,386	127,672
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse ..	43,129	20,777	490,598	104,021
Fox	105,415	49,816	76,341	131,338
Kangaroo and Wallaby ..	41,308	61,135	252,191	178,458
Opossum	13,934	6,266	82,738	45,005
Rabbit	1,813,829	578,113	2,207,591	3,368,644
Sheep	243,434	339,212	977,736	2,140,613
Other	7,121	2,160	17,863	18,828
Pearl-shell	124,832	6,508	196,288	252,822
Trochus-shell	5,523	3,507	11,665	45,746
Wool—				
Greasy	7,752,278	7,755,109	32,888,968	47,831,780
Scoured and Tops	1,751,641	2,379,398	6,756,568	10,209,333
Other Animal Substances ..	26,198	5,169	76,380	64,131
Total, Class VI. ..	11,996,825	11,222,870	44,195,750	64,523,111
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Copra .. .. .	..	..	12	11,535
Fibres—				
Cotton, raw .. .. .	..	..	4,763	4,361
Other	64,519	92,488	174,988	239,921
Sandalwood	10,742	..	61,960	23,272
Seeds	37,379	31,270	86,190	103,824
Tanning Substances	29,084	1,450	72,463	58,827
Other Vegetable Substances ..	15,547	6,757	49,194	69,744
Total, Class VII. ..	157,271	131,965	449,570	511,484

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (b) TEXTILES; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Boots and Shoes	216,092	6,367	46,668	527,274
Other Apparel and Attire ..	590,847	206,965	656,034	(a)
Piece Goods	126,806	39,687	452,374	458,208
Other Textiles	231,712	30,597	205,011	(a)
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns ..	173,693	55,716	550,709	(a)
Total, Class VIII. ..	1,339,150	339,332	1,910,796	(a)
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes	49,937	40,210	251,602	216,035
Tallow, unrefined	190,999	54,628	454,135	(a)
Other	61,413	380,227	277,968	600,822
Total, Class IX. ..	302,349	475,065	1,093,705	(a)
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.	67,609	47,797	195,573	209,137
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.	401,453	(a)	1,655,230	(a)
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery</i> ..	779,255	(a)	2,242,215	(a)
(b) <i>Metals and Manufactures</i> ..	3,023,266	(a)	10,054,236	(a)
Total, Class XII. ..	3,802,521	(a)	12,296,451	(a)
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER.				
Rubber and Manufactures ..	133,208	(a)	433,301	(a)
Leather	148,410	(a)	869,287	(a)
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	39,174	(a)	95,806	(a)
Total, Class XIII. ..	320,792	(a)	1,398,394	(a)
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber	160,815	167,564	767,104	722,525
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	58,575	32,696	336,740	197,396
Total, Class XIV. ..	219,390	200,260	1,103,844	919,921
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS AND STONEWARE.	104,379	47,831	232,341	352,465
CLASS XVI.—PAPER, ETC.				
Paper	43,883	61,260	144,745	150,611
Stationery	81,263	62,666	270,842	294,089
Total, Class XVI. ..	125,146	123,926	415,587	444,700

(a) Not available for publication.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME-PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Precious Stones, unset, Pearls, Cameos, &c. ..	7,032	1,810	23,257	55,735
Other Jewellery, Timepieces, &c.	25,419	9,712	82,266	89,916
Total, Class XVII. ..	32,451	11,522	105,523	145,651
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c.	46,072	13,043	214,916	113,241
Photographic Goods, &c. ..	22,904	23,267	71,970	81,326
Talking Machines, &c. ..	7,898	10,531	31,304	26,732
Other Instruments ..	21,085	29,825	81,773	85,492
Total, Class XVIII. ..	97,959	76,666	399,963	306,791
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.				
Casein	501	..	30,237	10,553
Fertilizers	3,533	3,491	13,628	16,937
Medicines	107,241	53,829	303,117	263,937
Oils—				
Essential (non-spirituous), n.e.i.	14,908	10,053	18,163	47,324
Eucalyptus	48,866	35,735	206,082	208,282
Perfumery and Preparations ..	123,801	100,472	184,780	388,178
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	170,750	99,288	579,936	579,455
Total, Class XIX. ..	469,600	302,868	1,335,943	1,514,666
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Miscellaneous Articles to Pacific Islands	44,722	4,473	178,338	110,007
Oilmen's Stores	71,316	52,261	148,522	241,611
Personal and Household Effects	34,146	12,627	128,506	96,626
Soap	82,746	37,296	194,980	247,370
Goods Exported per parcel post	9,195	2,968	33,377	27,919
All other Articles	723,386	(a)	3,162,817	(a)
Total, Class XX. ..	965,511	(a)	3,846,540	(a)
Total { Australian Produce	33,163,657	27,565,825	132,783,856	157,457,475
{ Other Produce ..	441,680	684,546	1,953,721	1,871,023
GRAND TOTAL—MERCHANDISE ..	33,605,337	28,250,371	134,737,577	159,328,498 (b)

ESTIMATED BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
GRAND TOTAL—Merchandise ..	26,830,608	22,555,186	107,574,912	127,208,381

NOTE.—Class XXI. is not available for publication.

(a) Not available for publication.

(b) See Note (f) on page 15.

Section IV.—Finance.

(A.) COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

Receipts.

Sources of Revenue.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
TAXATION—	£	£	£	£	£
Customs	31,160,462	34,830,306	29,409,666	25,208,806	20,806,321
Excise	16,471,903	18,994,600	24,370,117	31,572,002	44,071,799
Sales Tax	9,308,334	12,196,175	19,792,630	26,830,085	28,846,255
Flour Tax	1,808,972	2,486,070	1,498,595	1,651,717	1,708,543
Land Tax	1,489,436	1,645,829	3,190,822	3,691,184	3,873,169
Income Tax (a)	11,882,440	16,430,313	43,305,239	77,563,926	141,027,271
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	..	..	..	8,962,464	10,450,667
Gold Tax .. .. .	..	1,214,621	1,452,260	1,030,425	524,694
Estate Duty	1,915,352	2,212,690	2,364,133	2,845,005	2,695,946
Entertainments Tax .. .. .	..	59	10	..	2,994,426
Gift Duty .. .. .	..	..	..	79,731	144,429
Total Taxation	74,036,899	90,010,663	125,383,522	179,435,345	257,143,520
BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—					
Postmaster-General's Department	17,366,311	17,897,469	19,075,541	21,639,364	24,390,908
Railways—					
Trans-Australian	330,643	368,218	462,344	694,228	1,226,364
Central Australia	137,521	146,921	243,701	742,143	1,584,537
North Australia	50,471	60,797	185,808	305,448	791,555
Australian Capital Territory	7,275	11,736	8,040	5,277	15,036
Total Railways	525,910	587,672	899,893	1,747,096	3,617,492
Total Business Undertakings	17,892,221	18,485,141	19,975,434	23,386,460	28,008,400
TERRITORIES	355,401	415,412	506,864	491,969	447,229
OTHER REVENUE—					
Interest (b)	1,144,014	1,145,989	1,172,130	923,585	929,464
Coinage	127,764	180,458	752,471	867,889	2,588,787
Defence	151,208	166,880	303,640	834,800	1,489,934
Civil Aviation	5,745	11,171	137,951	185,355	401,144
Health	18,204	15,740	14,338	113,922	14,236
Patents, Trade Marks, Copyrights	67,914	61,982	57,150	55,037	58,075
Bankruptcy	30,770	35,817	32,318	24,877	23,500
Commerce and Marine—					
Wool levy (c)	74,396	84,361	84,279	85,934	81,783
Other	158,137	147,315	136,706	169,578	358,766
Net Profit, Note Issue	766,730	985,993	1,461,839	1,658,141	2,247,702
Balance of Trust Accounts .. .. .	..	..	31,476	1,600,459	218,000
Other	235,387	166,862	432,188	207,618	448,616
Total	2,780,269	3,002,568	4,616,486	6,727,195	8,860,007
Grand Total	95,064,790	111,913,784	150,482,306	210,040,969	294,459,156
PER HEAD (d)—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	10 13 10	12 17 4	17 14 9	25 2 10	35 14 5
Business Undertakings	2 11 8	2 12 10	2 16 6	3 5 6	3 17 10
Other	0 9 0	0 9 9	0 14 7	1 0 3	1 5 10
Total	13 14 6	15 19 11	21 5 10	29 8 7	40 18 1

(a) Includes War-time (Company) Tax.

(b) Excludes balance of interest on States' debts (payable by States).

(c) For Publicity and Research.

(d) Based on mean population of each financial year.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Expenditure.

Departments, &c.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
War and Repatriation (1914-19) Services	£	£	£	£	£
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange..	9,664,917	9,600,065	9,568,676	9,681,977	9,384,142
War Pensions	8,227,487	8,147,076	8,041,798	7,908,788	8,346,111
Repatriation	993,872	922,527	845,283	829,355	850,190
Other	370,536	164,874	146,873	198,182	141,056
Total, War, &c.	19,256,812	18,834,542	18,602,630	18,618,302	18,721,499
Defence and War (1939-43) Services—					
War (1939-43) Services .. ..	..	15,315,993	65,680,917	109,233,539	159,477,192
Army (including Co-ordination) ..	3,324,650	3,770,504			
Navy	2,755,085	3,005,000			
Air	1,384,971	2,043,839			
Supply and Development (including Munitions and Aircraft Production) ..	596,653	748,415			
Total Cost of Departments—					
Governor-General	32,765	30,787	30,587	30,705	29,383
Parliament	444,873	449,876	547,602	473,163	487,319
Prime Minister	1,355,842	1,509,582	1,282,799	1,350,017	1,385,095
External Affairs	70,168	117,782	141,751	199,642	215,490
Treasury	2,257,628	2,485,450	2,425,259	2,948,933	3,563,826
Attorney-General	281,497	276,557	297,400	319,171	351,452
Interior	1,275,392	1,257,593	962,999	954,847	916,890
Civil Aviation	328,150	494,060	392,038	337,165	349,671
Trade and Customs	1,064,124	1,032,890	963,269	956,081	872,509
Health	338,155	289,174	295,932	299,856	385,560
Commerce and Agriculture	1,000,798	959,445	914,927	979,815	1,028,175
Social Services	324,734	177,901	161,786	281,742	393,490
Supply and Shipping	208,129	211,506	225,005	236,825	240,185
Business Undertakings—					
Postmaster-General	15,028,233	15,285,709	15,876,594	17,527,865	19,938,502
Railways	1,351,041	1,472,521	1,507,850	1,995,577	2,726,187
Territories—					
Australian Capital Territory	637,228	656,078	679,160	698,072	676,909
Northern Territory	402,899	382,804	462,170	520,021	328,842
Papua	48,830	48,610	58,703	38,839	4,682
New Guinea	5,532	5,988	7,162	17,048	2,144
Norfolk Island	5,471	4,071	4,071	5,666	5,073
Total, Territories	1,099,960	1,097,551	1,238,266	1,279,646	1,017,650
New Works	6,565,268	6,036,445	6,211,764	6,305,344	6,960,954
Invalid and Old-age Pensions	15,991,782	16,459,245	17,366,365	19,257,025	22,292,835
Child Endowment .. .. .	..	..	..	11,302,863	11,659,626
Widows' Pensions .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2,358,998
Maternity Allowances	436,614	416,964	407,533	358,538	281,052
Payments to or for States—					
Interest on States' Debts	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912
Sinking Fund on States' Debts	1,477,976	1,536,055	1,556,749	1,579,797	1,587,798
Special Grants	2,020,000	2,020,000	2,050,000	2,300,000	2,175,000
Grants for Federal Aid Roads	4,266,556	4,455,845	3,484,748	2,128,344	1,603,342
Income Tax Reimbursement .. .. .	..	..	..	..	26,431,542
Entertainments Tax Reimbursement ..	..	..	..	..	574,341
Other Grants	300,000	100,000	250,000	138,100	140,138
Total to or for States (b)	15,649,444	15,696,812	14,926,409	13,731,153	40,097,073
Relief to Primary Producers	2,014,713	2,509,266	3,022,624	4,063,155	1,708,543
Grand Total (c)	94,437,481	108,985,409	150,482,306	210,040,969	294,459,156
Per head of Population (d)	£13 12 8	£15 11 9	£21 5 10	£29 8 7	£40 18 1

(a) Excludes Defence and War (1939-43) Services. (b) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debt (recoverable from States). (c) Excludes expenditure from excess receipts (see table below). (d) Based on mean population for each financial year.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Excess Receipts.

Particulars.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
Accumulated balance	£	£	£	£	£
Excess Receipts	3,494,733	627,309	2,928,375	..	..
	627,309	2,928,375	..	..	..
Total for year	4,122,042	3,555,684	2,928,375	..	..
Expenditure from Excess Receipts—					
Grants to States .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
Special Defence Provision	3,494,733	627,309	2,928,375	..	..
Post Office Works Provision .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
Reduction of deficit .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
Total	3,494,733	627,309	2,928,375	..	..
Accumulated balance	627,309	2,928,375	..	..	..

Commonwealth Expenditure from General Loan Fund.

Particulars.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	Total to 30th June, 1943.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Defence and War (1939-43) Services— General Services, Works, &c. ..	..	28,814,046	101,581,230	210,876,328	402,853,114	744,124,718
Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.—						
Army Buildings, Works and Sites ..	97,788	..	..	..	..	1,118,989
Arms, Armament and Ammunition ..	530,342	..	..	..	..	954,822
Naval Buildings, Works and Sites ..	82,248	..	..	..	..	1,703,834
Fleet Construction ..	521,556	..	..	..	..	1,608,303
R.A.A.F. Equipment, Buildings, &c.	436,356	..	..	..	..	1,578,461
Munitions Production, Buildings and Works ..	243,994	..	..	..	..	1,729,539
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works	..	..	..	..	..	214,291
Ships, Yards and Docks ..	Cr. 305,351	Cr. 14,016	Cr. 2,859	..	..	7,863,028
Lighthouses, Works and Services ..	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	635,490
River Murray Waters Act ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,105,625
Postmaster-General's Department— Telegraph and Telephone Con- struction ..	..	1,733,113	1,689,329	939,918	..	36,057,558
Buildings, Works, Sites, &c. ..	Cr. 1,290	120,050	220,882	244,940	Cr. 160	4,079,583
Subscription to Capital of Amalga- mated Wireless Ltd. ..	..	..	..	..	..	300,000
Radio Stations and Equipment ..	..	29,509	3,711	15,082	..	104,538
Serum and Health Laboratories ..	..	..	..	..	..	80,149
Other Health Buildings and Services	..	..	..	Cr. 1,100	..	21,864
Repatriation Buildings, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	47,026
War Service Homes (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,329,523
Railways—						
Trans-Australian ..	Cr. 339	Cr. 102	Cr. 2,070	Cr. 73	Cr. 1,663	7,122,387
Central Australia ..	..	..	Cr. 170	5,584	..	2,486,010
North Australia ..	..	Cr. 184	..	Cr. 23,167	Cr. 33,083	1,541,125
Australian Capital Territory ..	..	..	..	..	..	28,755
Grafton-South Brisbane ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,446,005
Railways Plant and Store Suspense Account ..	..	..	..	..	..	200,000
Territories—						
A.C.T. Works, Services and Acquisi- tion of Land (b) ..	Cr. 6,768	Cr. 10,752	Cr. 4,321	Cr. 7,406	Cr. 5,111	8,473,962
Northern Territory ..	..	Cr. 81	..	..	..	171,870
Papua ..	..	..	..	..	..	129,749
New Guinea ..	..	..	..	..	..	40,496
Norfolk Island ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,000
London Offices ..	..	..	..	..	..	880,190
High Court Accommodation, Mel- bourne ..	..	..	..	..	..	19,505
Acquisition of Properties not else- where included ..	..	..	..	..	..	137,648
Immigration ..	..	..	..	..	..	1,680,834
Subscription to Capital of Common- wealth Oil Refinery ..	..	..	..	..	..	343,751
Assistance to States—						
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 3,822	Cr. 65,844	Cr. 45,284	Cr. 5,773	Cr. 6,043	2,443,561
Mining ..	..	..	..	..	..	283,750
Forestry ..	..	..	..	..	..	322,000
Farmers' Debt Adjustment ..	2,000,000	750,000	500,000	165,000	235,000	7,967,000
Roads ..	..	..	..	..	..	249,686
Wire and Wire Netting ..	..	..	..	..	..	608,849
Drought Relief ..	..	..	1,270,000	597,000	Cr. 22,795	1,844,205
Wheat Bounty ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,429,571
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c. ..	3,593,714	2,540,743	3,628,213	1,929,005	165,145	110,385,532
GRAND TOTAL ..	3,593,714	31,354,789	105,209,448	212,805,333	403,018,259	854,510,250

(a) In addition, £13,045,408 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24.

(b) Includes Administration and other Public Buildings.

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE
AT 30th JUNE, 1943.**

Debt on Account of—	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.
Commonwealth—	£(Aust.)	£(Stg.)	£(a)	£(b)
War (1914–19)	166,531,732	90,744,381	..	257,276,113
War (1939–43)	(c) 712,896,088	(d) 17,888,500	..	730,784,588
Works and other Purposes	38,241,177	64,884,096	15,790,414	118,915,687
Total—Commonwealth Purposes	917,668,997	173,516,977	15,790,414	1,106,976,388
Per head of population(e) ..	£126 18 8	£24 0 0	£2 3 8	£153 2 4
State—				
Debts of the States ..	494,115,500	379,113,037	25,610,182	898,838,719
Per head of population(e) ..	£68 10 8	£52 11 8	£3 11 1	£124 13 5
Total Public Debt ..	1,411,784,497	552,630,014	41,400,596	2,005,815,107
Per head of population ..	£195 5 8	£76 8 10	£5 14 6	£277 9 0

INTEREST PAYABLE.

Commonwealth—	£ (Aust.)	£(Stg.)	£(a)	£(f)
War (1914–19)	6,389,532	(g) 426,008	..	6,815,540
War (1939–43)	17,623,865	231,000	..	17,854,865
Works and other Purposes	1,130,922	2,633,876	771,780	4,536,578
Total—Commonwealth Purposes	25,144,319	(g) 3,290,884	771,780	29,206,983
Average Rate per cent.(h) ..	£2 15 2	£4 0 7	£4 17 9	£2 17 11
State—				
Debts of the States ..	16,862,701	14,500,853	1,272,666	32,636,220
Average Rate per cent. ..	£3 8 3	£3 16 6	£4 19 5	£3 12 7
Grand Total	42,007,020	(g) 17,791,737	2,044,446	61,843,203
Average Rate per cent.(h) ..	£2 19 9	£3 17 3	£4 18 9	£3 4 10

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.).

(b) The total "face" or "book" values of the Public Debt of the Commonwealth and States leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated.

(c) Includes £35,146,409 War Savings Certificates, £6,224,581 Interest Free Loans (Citizens' National Emergency Loans), £22,405,720 Advance Loan Subscriptions, £1,584,070 National Savings Bonds and £382,953 War Savings Stamps.

(d) Includes £113,500 Interest Free Loans; and £12,000,000 on which no interest is payable, pending early redemption.

(e) Based on preliminary estimated aggregate population of Australia (including A.C.T. and N.T.) and of the six States at 30th June, 1943.

(f) Nominal amount (and average rate) of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(g) Excludes suspended interest £3,919,774 on War Debt (£79,724,220) due to British Government.

(h) Interest Free Loans excluded when calculating rate.

**AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS
AND BY THE PUBLIC.**

Particulars.	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.	Reserve.	
				Amount. (a)	Percentage on total circulation.
	£	£	£	£'000.	%
1938 (b)	16,700,228	32,706,922	49,407,150	16,009	32.4
1939 (b)	14,403,326	35,186,843	49,590,169	16,030	32.4
1940 (b)	13,927,376	44,444,954	58,372,330	16,269	28.1
1941 (b)	14,318,069	55,069,055	69,387,124	18,559	26.8
1942 (b)	14,879,107	88,189,429	103,068,536	20,777	25.9
1943 (c)—January	17,830,701	106,275,667	124,106,368	31,391	25.3
February	15,794,667	111,311,701	127,106,368	32,641	25.7
March	15,499,063	115,857,305	131,356,368	33,891	25.8
April	12,355,936	123,500,432	135,856,368	35,141	25.9
May	16,334,000	122,022,368	138,356,368	35,141	25.4
June	14,491,985	123,864,383	138,356,368	35,141	25.4

(a) Includes English sterling.
Monday in each month.

(b) Average of twelve monthly statements.

(c) On last

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	26th June, 1939.	24th June, 1940.	30th June, 1941.	29th June, 1942.	28th June, 1943.
	£	£	£	£	£
10s.	4,123,499	4,520,801	4,827,786	5,642,282	6,589,003
£1	20,776,230	24,901,349	28,580,257	40,193,726	48,732,250
£5	11,580,315	16,219,545	19,356,165	34,579,150	50,948,885
£10	5,147,260	9,080,850	9,072,290	14,163,860	23,319,440
£20	103,620	85,820	73,040	62,020	57,140
£50	1,285,300	2,259,250	2,091,300	2,773,200	3,443,150
£100	2,305,900	3,605,600	3,184,200	3,880,800	4,873,500
£1,000	2,208,000	202,000	679,000	1,319,000	393,000
Held by banks	14,829,109	13,936,977	14,044,234	16,125,894	14,491,985
„ public	32,701,015	46,938,238	53,819,804	86,488,144	123,864,383
Total	47,530,124	60,875,215	67,864,038	102,614,038	138,356,368
Reserve(a)	Gold	341,213	393,136	74,839	73,780
	English	15,688,391	15,688,392	17,630,183	26,536,433
	Sterling	16,029,604	16,081,528	17,705,022	26,610,566
	Total	16,029,604	17,705,022	26,610,566	35,141,463
Percentage on circulation		33.73	26.42	26.09	25.93
		33.73	26.42	26.09	25.93

(a) Valued in Australian currency.

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1943.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June, 1943.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June, 1943.		Pensions paid during 1942-43. (a)	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Amount.	Per head of Popn. (b)
	No.	No.	No.			s. d.	s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales(c)	108,281	26,801	135,082	377	93	51 1	52 1	9,249,594	64 9
Victoria	72,102	11,938	84,040	364	60	51 1	51 8	5,715,065	57 11
Queensland	34,834	8,815	43,649	333	84	51 3	51 11	3,153,834	60 9
South Australia(d)	23,125	4,298	27,423	372	69	50 0	51 0	1,814,185	58 8
Western Australia	18,575	3,580	22,155	393	76	50 7	51 8	1,489,272	63 4
Tasmania	10,322	2,649	12,971	427	109	50 7	51 5	870,885	72 4
Total	267,239	58,081	325,320	369	80	50 11	51 10	22,292,835	61 11

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these institutions.

(b) Based on mean population for the financial year.

(c) Includes A.C.T.

(d) Includes N.T.

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS SUMMARY.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Pensioners.			Number of Pensioners in each 10,000 of Population.(a)		Pensions Payments during Year. (b)	Average Fortnightly Pension. (a)
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total.	Old-age.	Invalid.		
	No.	No.	No.			£	s. d.
1911 ..	75,502	7,451	82,953	168	17	1,847,440	19 1
1912 ..	79,071	10,763	89,834	170	23	2,149,659	19 0
1913 ..	82,943	13,739	96,682	172	29	2,301,675	19 6
1914 ..	87,780	16,865	104,645	177	34	2,592,201	19 5
1915 ..	90,892	20,417	111,309	182	41	2,718,939	19 5
1916 ..	91,783	23,439	115,222	186	47	2,891,597	19 4
1917 ..	93,672	26,781	120,453	190	54	3,554,135	24 3
1918 ..	95,387	29,912	125,299	190	59	3,793,037	24 3
1919 ..	95,969	31,999	127,968	185	62	3,936,626	24 2
1920 ..	99,170	35,231	134,401	185	66	4,484,304	29 1
1921 ..	102,415	37,981	140,396	183	69	5,150,241	28 9
1922 ..	105,096	39,019	144,115	189	70	5,380,034	28 9
1923 ..	107,389	40,064	147,453	189	70	5,424,016	28 9
1924 ..	113,054	42,617	155,671	195	73	6,523,881	33 9
1925 ..	117,516	44,840	162,356	198	75	6,992,905	33 8
1926 ..	122,918	48,803	175,721	210	80	8,252,387	33 7
1927 ..	133,234	52,399	185,633	215	85	9,144,589	38 6
1928 ..	139,367	55,517	194,884	221	88	9,790,346	38 5
1929 ..	145,393	59,148	204,541	227	93	10,124,239	38 5
1930 ..	155,196	63,304	218,500	240	98	10,791,325	38 5
1931 ..	172,177	68,343	240,520	264	104	11,710,953	38 4
1932 ..	183,317	72,292	255,609	279	110	11,125,956	33 3
1933 ..	176,425	72,742	249,167	266	110	10,771,061	31 10
1934 ..	187,453	73,212	260,665	281	109	10,965,090	33 8
1935 ..	197,126	76,852	273,978	293	114	11,762,030	33 7
1936 ..	206,748	80,487	287,235	305	119	12,797,726	34 8
1937 ..	215,690	83,396	299,086	316	122	13,998,793	36 8
1938 ..	224,154	86,096	310,250	325	125	15,798,687	38 6
1939 ..	232,886	88,812	321,648	335	128	15,991,782	38 5
1940(d) ..	272,896	58,696	331,592	388	84	16,459,245	38 6
1941 ..	276,760	58,921	335,681	390	83	17,366,365	(c) 41 5
1942 ..	275,456	60,597	336,053	386	85	19,257,025	(c) 48 4
1943 ..	267,239	58,081	325,320	369	80	22,292,835	(c) 51 1

(a) At 30th June. (b) Includes payments to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners, and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (c) Increases, including retail price adjustment since December, 1940, are as follows: 2s. December, 1940; 1s. April, 1941; 4s. December, 1941; 1s. April, 1942; 2s. July, 1942; 6d. October, 1942; 6d. January, 1943. Rate £1 7s. 0d. from 19th August, 1943. (d) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed, and, at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for old-age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the old-age pension list.

CHILD ENDOWMENT AT 30th JUNE, 1943.

State.	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Number per 10,000 of population.		Amount paid during 1942-43.	
			Claims.	Endowed Children.	Amount.	Per head of Population. (b)
	No.	No.			£	s. d.
New South Wales (c) ..	194,168	354,883	677	1,237	4,580,228	32 1
Victoria ..	124,986	218,511	631	1,103	2,902,616	29 5
Queensland ..	76,731	145,440	735	1,392	1,914,606	36 10
South Australia (d) ..	40,036	69,097	645	1,112	904,613	29 3
Western Australia ..	36,746	65,777	779	1,395	875,768	37 3
Tasmania ..	18,454	37,513	763	1,551	481,795	40 0
Total 1942-43 ..	491,121	891,221	679	1,233	11,659,626	32 5
1941-42 ..	487,674	895,558	680	1,248	11,302,863	31 8

(a) Excludes endowed children in approved institutions—16,938 at 30th June, 1943; 14,289 at 30th June, 1942. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year. (c) Includes A.C.T. (d) Includes N.T.

WIDOW'S PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1943. (a)

State.	Pensions Current.(b)		Children for whom Pensions Payable.	Average Four-weekly rate of Pension.	Pensions paid during 1942-43.	
	Number.	Per 10,000 of Population.			Amount.	Per head of Population.
			No.	£ s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales(c) ..	14,998	52	7,519	5 9 9	949,283	6 8
Victoria ..	10,710	54	3,574	5 0 4	602,957	6 1
Queensland ..	5,755	55	2,485	5 5 1	413,486	8 0
South Australia (d) ..	2,966	48	1,055	5 0 8	160,464	5 2
Western Australia ..	2,596	55	926	5 1 1	153,471	6 6
Tasmania ..	1,377	57	655	5 5 1	79,337	6 7
Total ..	38,402	53	16,214	5 5 0	2,358,998	6 7

(a) The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay Widows' Pensions from 1st July, 1942.

(b) Excludes six pensions in respect of pensioners in Benevolent Asylums.

(c) Includes A.C.T.

(d) Includes N.T.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCE.

Number and Amount of Claims Paid.

(The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912.)

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Australia.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
1937 ..	31,086	20,350	12,170	6,854	4,731	4,018	45	79,254	370,150
1938 ..	30,440	20,160	12,660	6,656	5,026	4,029	29	79,000	400,004
1939 ..	30,860	20,819	12,880	7,162	5,213	3,940	42	80,916	436,614
1940 ..	29,700	19,660	12,290	7,009	4,774	3,883	36	77,352	416,964
1941 ..	28,540	19,150	12,481	6,831	4,775	3,877	38	75,692	407,533
1942 ..	24,481	16,120	12,113	5,724	4,320	3,620	13	66,391	353,538
1943 ..	19,182	11,874	9,651	4,197	4,025	3,018	9	51,956	281,052
Totals since 10.10.12	1,341,149	881,088	507,387	294,681	215,725	146,779	1,124	3,387,933	16,714,945

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1943.

Place.	NUMBER OF WAR PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.								
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.						
No.	No.	No.	No.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
New South Wales	28,518	10,465	39,022	78,005	2	7	11	1	5	2	1	13	6
Victoria.. ..	25,921	9,251	36,583	71,755	2	3	4	1	3	11	1	10	11
Queensland ..	9,229	3,098	13,012	25,339	2	9	10	1	3	10	1	13	4
South Australia ..	5,187	2,801	7,093	15,081	2	8	6	1	8	4	1	15	4
Western Australia ..	7,138	2,764	10,343	20,245	2	7	4	1	5	1	1	12	11
Tasmania ..	3,456	1,221	5,775	10,452	3	1	8	1	2	10	1	15	8
United Kingdom ..	1,493	1,615	2,141	5,249	2	13	7	1	16	2	2	1	1
Elsewhere ..	298	118	311	727	2	3	9	1	9	1	1	15	1
Total 1942-43 ..	81,240	31,333	114,280	226,853	2	7	4	1	5	0	1	13	0
1941-42 ..	76,641	27,679	116,019	220,339	1	19	8	0	19	1	1	6	3

SERVICE PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1943.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Pensions Current—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Old-age (Members of Forces) ..	1,623	1,159	674	301	440	73	4,270
Permanently Unemployable—							
Members of Forces	1,022	834	773	414	452	200	3,695
Dependants ..	1,186	1,057	795	459	459	265	4,221
Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis—							
Members of Forces	229	112	34	27	40	10	452
Dependants ..	305	147	64	51	63	16	646
Total 1942-43 ..	4,365	3,309	2,340	1,252	1,454	564	13,284
1941-42 ..	4,661	3,354	2,649	1,392	1,561	629	14,246
Average Fortnightly Pensions—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Members of Forces ..	2 4 3	2 3 11	2 5 3	2 5 5	2 1 2	2 2 7	2 4 1
Dependants ..	1 7 7	1 8 6	1 7 4	1 8 5	1 8 6	1 5 4	1 7 10
All Pensioners 1942-43	1 18 7	1 18 4	1 18 8	1 18 6	1 16 7	1 14 0	1 18 1
1941-42	1 14 6	1 14 8	1 14 4	1 13 10	1 14 2	1 8 1	1 14 1

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS EXPENDITURE.

(i) WAR PENSIONS.

Place of Payment.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,661,271	2,674,462	2,618,564	2,560,477	2,576,241	2,897,870
Victoria ..	2,334,448	2,353,107	2,317,417	2,252,227	2,255,233	2,497,300
Queensland ..	874,872	890,710	873,635	853,757	846,584	943,691
South Australia ..	493,255	497,230	497,743	485,910	494,166	575,168
Western Australia ..	689,528	696,833	685,019	671,457	668,617	752,885
Tasmania ..	397,199	403,747	404,154	396,814	393,406	434,228
Elsewhere ..	310,634	303,200	285,714	267,880	267,664	265,854
Total ..	7,761,207	7,819,289	7,682,246	7,488,581	7,501,911	8,366,996

(ii) SERVICE PENSIONS.

Place of Payment.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	96,327	118,443	148,599	162,935	185,315	218,173
Victoria ..	84,365	103,292	118,577	126,975	140,916	163,116
Queensland ..	57,543	72,717	80,384	88,088	106,120	119,032
South Australia ..	45,028	51,474	54,377	57,758	60,105	61,953
Western Australia ..	36,344	46,044	51,651	55,783	64,652	73,503
Tasmania ..	10,254	15,157	18,695	19,564	22,548	24,332
Elsewhere ..	10	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	329,871	407,127	472,263	511,103	579,656	660,109

(a) Includes 1939-43 War—1940-41, £18,772, 1941-42, £207,324, 1942-43, £659,384.

1939-43 War—£2,314

(b) Includes

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX, 1941-42.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.			Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
		Ordinary.	War Tax.	Total.		
Individuals—	No.	£	£	£	£ s. d.	%
War Tax only ..	592,359	..	1,691,281	1,691,281	2 17 1	2.4
£1 to £201 ..	484,678	2,750,062	2,691,963	5,442,025	11 4 7	7.8
£201 to £500 ..	200,729	4,654,356	1,833,002	6,487,358	32 6 5	9.3
£501 to £1,000 ..	68,353	5,394,068	1,087,824	6,481,892	94 16 7	9.3
£1,001 and over ..	31,259	26,175,022	1,074,118	27,249,140	871 14 5	38.9
Total Individuals	1,377,378	38,973,508	8,378,188	47,351,696	34 7 7	67.7
Companies ..	14,349	19,916,018	2,713,261b	22,629,279c	1,577 1 3	32.3
GRAND TOTAL ..	..	..	..	69,980,975	..	100.0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1940-41. (b) Super Tax. (c) Excludes War-time (Company) Tax, £4,089,608 and Undistributed Profits Taxes, £7,496,682.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS.

Heading.	Assessment year—				
	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Resident Owners ..	21,028	20,956	21,395	21,959	21,921
Absentee Owners ..	2,584	2,559	2,365	2,562	2,450
TOTAL ..	23,612	23,515	23,760	24,521	24,371
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£	£
Resident ..	225,774,692	228,207,419	234,273,018	244,512,737	244,222,515
Absentee ..	1,999,905	2,047,766	1,892,564	1,685,096	1,444,489
TOTAL ..	227,774,597	230,255,185	236,165,577	246,197,833	245,667,004
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident ..	257,346,942	257,277,026	272,109,061	277,242,136	275,288,688
Absentee ..	2,167,995	2,196,814	2,080,107	1,991,916	1,580,307
TOTAL ..	259,514,937	259,473,840	274,189,168	279,234,052	276,868,995
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	924,749	1,045,591	1,195,246	2,453,928	2,897,198
Absentee Owners ..	10,082	10,673	11,324	20,509	20,333
TOTAL ..	934,831	1,056,264	1,206,570	2,474,437	2,917,531
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	339,487	372,713	388,763	784,293	889,928
Absentee Owners ..	3,267	3,342	4,248	6,113	5,204
TOTAL ..	342,754	376,055	393,011	790,406	895,132
All Land—Resident Owners ..	1,264,236	1,418,304	1,584,009	3,238,221	3,787,126
Absentee Owners ..	13,349	14,015	15,572	26,622	25,537
TOTAL ..	1,277,585	1,432,319	1,599,581	3,264,843	3,812,663
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED ac.	457,636,000	456,695,994	456,131,125	463,556,163	462,701,713
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	1.427d.	1.592d.	1.680d.	2.985d.	3.426d.

(a) Excludes Crown Leaseholds.

COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1941-42.

Grade of Dutiable Value.	Number of Estates.(a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Payable.
£	No.	£	£	£
1- 1,000 ..	2,335	5,682,733	1,053,731	31,600
1,001- 2,000 ..	1,408	4,881,144	2,070,499	59,975
2,001- 3,000 ..	954	4,418,742	2,351,921	68,186
3,001- 4,000 ..	564	3,255,701	1,944,772	57,181
4,001- 5,000 ..	427	3,282,303	1,904,549	55,705
5,001-10,000 ..	990	9,911,959	6,921,720	203,322
10,001-20,000 ..	642	11,253,175	9,002,948	387,414
20,001-50,000 ..	299	10,933,885	8,686,691	654,770
50,001 and over ..	86	12,971,094	9,822,545	1,598,267
Total ..	7,705	66,591,236	48,759,376	3,117,020

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1941-42.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable in each month.—Australia.(a)

Year 1941-42.

Month.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods. (b)	Taxable Sales.(b)							Sales Tax Payable. (b)
		5 per cent.(c)	10 per cent.(c)	12½ per cent.(d)	15 per cent.(c)	20 per cent.(e)	25 per cent.(d)	Total.	
July ..	£'000. 47,054	£'000. 4,560	£'000. 12,049	..	£'000. 2,842	£'000. ..	£'000. ..	£'000. 19,451	£'000. 1,858
August ..	46,855	4,617	13,885	..	2,742	..	..	20,744	1,980
September ..	49,644	4,736	12,836	..	3,274	..	..	20,846	2,012
Total, Sept. Qtr.	143,553	13,913	38,270	..	8,858	..	..	61,041	5,850
October ..	52,079	4,485	12,923	..	3,117	175	..	20,700	2,018
November ..	46,296	1,056	14,431	..	..	2,878	..	18,365	2,072
December ..	51,353	776	17,037	..	..	3,757	..	21,570	2,494
Total, Dec. Qtr.	149,728	6,317	44,391	..	3,117	6,810	..	60,635	6,584
January ..	44,482	817	13,575	..	..	2,540	..	16,932	1,906
February ..	46,308	795	14,903	..	..	2,978	..	18,676	2,125
March ..	49,780	792	14,885	..	..	2,886	..	18,563	2,105
Total, Mar. Qtr.	140,570	2,404	43,363	..	..	8,404	..	54,171	6,136
April ..	49,306	756	15,517	..	..	3,318	..	19,591	2,253
May ..	48,388	..	..	14,032	..	..	2,554	16,586	2,392
June ..	49,601	..	..	13,956	..	..	2,430	16,386	2,352
Total, June Qtr.	147,295	756	15,517	27,988	..	3,318	4,984	52,563	6,997
Total Year ..	581,146	23,390	141,541	27,988	11,975	18,532	4,984	228,410	25,567

Year 1942-43.

Month.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b)	Taxable Sales.(b)			Sales Tax Payable. (b)
		12½ per cent.(d)	25 per cent.(d)	Total.	
July..	£'000. 51,353	£'000. 16,057	£'000. 2,806	£'000. 18,863	£'000. 2,699
August ..	51,248	15,457	2,883	18,340	2,649
September ..	49,013	14,105	2,824	16,929	2,467
Total, September Qtr.	151,614	45,619	8,513	54,132	7,815
October ..	50,922	14,307	2,720	17,027	2,467
November ..	49,577	14,357	2,624	16,981	2,454
December ..	51,290	14,027	3,156	17,183	2,540
Total, December Qtr.	151,789	42,691	8,500	51,191	7,461
January ..	44,229	11,951	2,187	14,138	2,040
February ..	49,623	13,370	2,132	15,502	2,203
March ..	51,510	15,138	2,498	17,636	2,515
Total, March Qtr.	145,362	40,459	6,817	47,276	6,758
April (f) ..	47,800	13,400	2,100	15,500	2,200
May (f) ..	50,600	14,500	2,300	16,800	2,400

(a) From information obtained from returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade nor do they necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade.
 (b) Includes Taxable Imports and Tax collected at Customs House. (c) The rates 5 per cent., 10 per cent. and 15 per cent. came into operation on 22nd November, 1940. (d) The rates 12½ per cent. and 25 per cent. came into operation on 1st May, 1942. (e) The rate of 20 per cent. replaced the rate of 15 per cent. from 30th October, 1941. (f) Partly estimated—subject to revision.

(B.) STATE FINANCE.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses, Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board and Road Transport and Traffic Fund—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. Deductions have been made from the Budget figures, however, in order to obviate duplications caused by inter-fund payments and to maintain uniformity from year to year in the presentation of statistics. A deduction of £795,540 has thus been made from the Budget Revenue total of £66,661,218, and of £959,646 from the Expenditure total of £65,783,839. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and have not been adjusted.

STATE REVENUES, 1941-42.

Sources of Revenue.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation (b) ..	22,294,087	11,201,263	8,034,362	4,741,951	63,139,127	1,802,051	51,212,841
Railways ..	27,686,332	14,179,449	10,444,982	4,857,981	3,898,809	..	61,067,553
Tramways (c) ..	5,429,411	(f) 115,428	..	..	402,693	..	5,947,532
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings ..	1,712,072	2,368,073	1,500	1,888,727	1,800,582	4,648	7,775,602
Land ..	1,673,764	536,431	1,583,161	259,197	309,819	76,727	4,439,099
Interest ..	390,635	1,545,721	1,289,928	959,007	435,724	466,286	5,087,301
Commonwealth Payments ..	2,917,411	2,127,159	1,096,235	1,733,816	1,103,432	786,859	9,764,912
All other Sources ..	3,761,966	1,038,848	1,212,779	561,351	849,963	222,136	7,647,043
Total Revenue ..	65,865,678	33,112,372	23,662,947	15,002,030	11,940,149	3,358,707	152,941,883
Total Revenue per head (g) ..	£ s. d. 23 8 4	£ s. d. 16 18 10	£ s. d. 22 17 3	£ s. d. 24 15 11	£ s. d. 25 9 8	£ s. d. 14 0 7	£ s. d. 21 9 11

Year ended 30th June—

STATE REVENUES 1928-29 AND 1937-38 TO 1941-42.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1929 ..	46,240,658	27,286,329	16,725,682	10,840,914	9,947,951	2,766,434	113,807,968
1938 ..	53,545,720	27,614,982	17,339,731	12,460,936	10,819,042	3,639,755	125,420,166
1939 ..	51,709,735	26,985,548	19,330,369	12,303,597	10,949,660	3,614,764	124,893,673
1940 ..	54,754,626	28,102,735	20,755,504	12,755,648	11,119,943	3,055,310	130,543,766
1941 ..	59,895,571	29,182,657	21,539,749	12,924,663	11,432,068	2,921,573	137,896,281
1942 ..	65,865,678	33,112,372	23,662,947	15,002,030	11,940,149	3,358,707	152,941,883

STATE EXPENDITURES, 1941-42.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	15,583,394	8,796,171	7,067,269	5,371,960	4,591,612	1,353,230	42,763,636
Railways ..	21,196,694	11,082,482	8,265,486	3,490,993	2,999,830	2,937	47,038,422
Tramways (c) ..	4,873,110	..	..	..	299,684	..	5,172,794
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings ..	910,207	1,228,369	4,103	675,330	918,211	..	3,736,220
Education ..	5,882,350	3,237,797	1,849,286	1,078,324	928,995	440,300	13,417,052
Hospitals ..	2,564,165	1,325,912	647,849	544,153	142,550	177,098	5,401,727
Other Charities ..	2,599,590	1,689,860	985,210	242,354	275,267	151,550	5,943,831
All other Expenditure ..	11,214,683	4,959,481	4,779,972	2,309,240	1,782,232	1,232,007	26,277,615
Total Expenditure ..	64,824,193	32,320,072	23,599,175	13,712,354	11,938,381	3,357,122	149,751,297
Total Expenditure per head (g) ..	£ s. d. 23 0 11	£ s. d. 16 10 9	£ s. d. 22 16 1	£ s. d. 22 13 3	£ s. d. 25 9 6	£ s. d. 14 0 6	£ s. d. 21 0 11

Year ended 30th June—

STATE EXPENDITURES 1928-29 AND 1937-38 TO 1941-42.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1929 ..	48,159,691	27,251,578	16,902,145	11,771,772	10,223,919	2,855,977	117,165,082
1938 ..	53,495,881	27,584,037	17,568,223	12,334,391	10,829,735	3,632,903	125,445,170
1939 ..	54,163,064	27,772,790	19,316,323	12,700,921	11,170,102	3,640,748	128,763,948
1940 ..	57,049,577	28,096,474	20,739,749	12,918,376	11,266,768	3,052,909	133,123,853
1941 ..	60,319,036	29,040,357	21,511,313	13,007,598	11,420,957	3,103,204	138,402,465
1942 ..	64,824,193	32,320,072	23,599,175	13,712,354	11,938,381	3,357,122	149,751,297

(a) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of Transport Commission. Motor taxation collections are also now paid to the Commission's Fund. (b) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1941-42, see p. 40. (c) Gross collections.

(d) Includes £120,000 of Commonwealth Grant taken direct to Railway Revenue. (e) Includes Omnibuses. (f) Contribution to Revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (g) Based on mean population for the financial year.

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1941-42.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Railways ..	1,680,050	730,894	95,345	844,673	25,394	40,109	2,916,465
Tramways (b) ..	Cr. 198,239	..	..	cCr. 52,744	29,857	..	Cr. 221,126
Roads and Bridges ..	606,611	Cr. 28,684	321,955	cCr. 16,000	Cr. 13	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	124,655	Cr. 4,733	20,487	16,020	55,668	40,955	1,136,921
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	Cr. 36,669	266,951	305,000	921,510	168,525	..	1,625,317
Electricity Supply ..	151,853	..	..	12,578	512,242	..	676,673
Public Buildings ..	487,080	441,837	314,055	71,732	35,042	115,700	1,465,446
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 148,225	Cr. 67,163	..	..	..	Cr. 10,738	Cr. 226,126
Other Public Works, &c. ..	160,872	Cr. 2,936	564,989	Cr. 20,957	Cr. 2,875	110,149	809,242
Primary Production—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Land Settlement (d) ..	36	Cr. 450,903	28,890	Cr. 179,662	Cr. 49,347	Cr. 128,205	Cr. 779,191
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	484,743	..	Cr. 7,901	14,054	134,022	..	624,918
Other ..	Cr. 154,736	209,978	Cr. 58,721	6,268	137,317	34,615	174,721
Other purposes ..	..	2,379	Cr. 46	125,584	133,552	..	261,469
Total Works, &c. ..	3,158,031	1,097,620	1,584,053	1,230,478	679,720	714,827	8,464,729
Per Head (e) ..	£ s. d. 1 2 5	£ s. d. 0 11 3	£ s. d. 1 10 7	£ s. d. 2 0 8	£ s. d. 1 9 0	£ s. d. 2 19 9	£ s. d. 1 3 10
Non-Works—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	Cr. 391,976	..	..	82,936	Cr. 1,768	..	Cr. 310,808
Other (f) ..	99,896	63,742	539,545	17,671	7,720	..	728,574
Grand Total ..	2,865,951	1,161,362	2,123,598	1,331,085	685,672	714,827	8,882,495

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of Loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes Omnibuses. (c) Loans to Metropolitan Tramways Trust. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers, and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Based on mean population for the financial year. (f) Discounts and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c.

TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1942.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Railways and Tramways ..	164,304	78,236	66,223	39,130	26,985	7,410	382,238
Roads and Bridges ..	20,933	12,645	5,308	3,875	3,183	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	22,172	1,405	2,834	8,484	7,520	7,247	95,606
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	40,896	31,797	1,632	20,815	14,851	..	109,991
Electricity Supply ..	2,476	17,839	..	..	1,863	7,069	29,247
Public Buildings ..	17,550	8,025	7,298	4,244	2,757	2,867	42,741
Unemployment Relief ..	17,291	13,123	..	..	(b)	356	30,770
Other Public Works, &c. (c) ..	11,540	3,669	26,352	8,124	3,074	(d) 4,257	57,016
Primary Production—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Land Settlement ..	12,328	44,057	5,650	12,007	17,804	3,073	94,919
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	19,480	..	1,993	9,233	3,852	..	34,558
Other ..	7,818	5,175	8,226	2,259	14,076	35	37,589
Other purposes ..	89	212	424	4,198	3,536	..	8,459
Total Works ..	336,877	216,183	125,940	112,369	99,501	32,814	923,184
Non-Works—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	42,830	4,864	5,827	9,251	12,104	1,017	75,893
Other ..	17,814	5,834	10,332	1,227	4,096	..	39,303
Grand Total ..	397,521	226,881	142,099	122,847	115,701	33,831	1,038,380

(a) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure. (b) Not available separately—distributed over individual items. (c) Includes Loans to Local Bodies, Housing, Immigration, &c. (d) Includes Loan Flotation Expenses.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1943.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (c)
New South Wales ..	194,033	154,342	11,864	360,239	6,273	5,813	574	12,660
Victoria ..	109,387	62,049	4,490	175,935	3,950	2,316	221	6,487
Queensland ..	60,510	62,788	5,271	128,569	2,129	2,513	279	4,921
South Australia ..	63,846	42,850	1,733	108,429	2,253	1,680	86	4,019
Western Australia ..	51,136	43,837	2,015	96,988	1,713	1,691	101	3,505
Tasmania ..	15,204	13,247	228	28,679	545	488	11	1,044
Total ..	494,116	379,113	25,610	898,839	16,863	14,501	1,272	32,636

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purposes of this table dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.). (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State Public Debt leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable, takes no account of exchange.

(C.) COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

State, &c.	Year ended June.—					
	1941-42.			1942-43.		
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (—).	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (—).
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales(a) ..	65,189	64,315	+ 874	71,207	70,092	+ 1,115
Victoria ..	33,112	32,320	+ 792	36,490	35,735	+ 755
Queensland ..	23,663	23,599	+ 64	29,284	29,182	+ 102
South Australia ..	15,002	13,715	+ 1,287	15,193	14,960	+ 233
Western Australia ..	11,940	11,938	+ 2	13,151	13,127	+ 24
Tasmania ..	3,359	3,357	+ 2	3,290	3,399	— 109
Total, Six States ..	152,265	149,244	+ 3,021	168,615	166,495	+ 2,120
Commonwealth ..	210,041	210,041	..	294,459	294,459	..
Grand Total (b) ..	359,990	347,969	+ 3,021	424,741	422,621	+ 2,120

(a) Excludes Main Roads Department and recoups of interest, &c., from undertakings outside the Budget.

(b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, interest on States' debts and special grants. Deductions have also been made of pay-roll tax payments by State Governments to the Commonwealth Government.

REVENUE FROM COMMONWEALTH PAYMENTS AND TAXATION AND EXPENDITURE ON ADMINISTRATION, ETC.

State, &c.	Revenue from Commonwealth Payments.(a)		Revenue from Taxation. (b)		Expenditure— Administration, Works and Social Services, including Unemployment Relief.	
	Year ended June—					
	1941-42.	1942-43.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1941-42.	1942-43.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	2,917	14,185	22,271	9,452	23,055	22,520
Victoria ..	2,127	7,566	11,353	5,458	12,016	13,246
Queensland ..	1,096	6,202	8,034	2,574	8,632	11,636
South Australia ..	1,734	3,599	4,742	1,789	4,124	4,413
Western Australia ..	1,103	3,450	3,111	1,141	3,167	3,819
Tasmania ..	787	1,645	1,802	834	1,742	1,734
Total, Six States ..	9,764	36,647	51,313	21,248	52,736	57,368
Commonwealth ..	..	..	179,435	257,144	(c) 150,884	(c) 200,708
Grand Total ..	9,764	36,647	230,748	278,392	203,620	258,076

(a) Includes amounts received in accordance with the Financial Agreement, 1927, with Special State Grants and with the Income and Entertainment Tax Reimbursement Acts, 1942.

(b) Arrears of State income tax are included as State collections, not as Commonwealth payments, as in the previous issue.

(c) Excludes Territories, payments to States under Financial Agreement and other Acts and assistance to Primary Producers. Includes Defence and War Services (excluding Interest, &c., charges), 1941-42, £101,513,000; 1942-43, £143,771,000.

BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.(a)

State, &c.	Revenue.		Expenditure.	
	Year ended June—			
	1941-42.	1942-43.	1941-42.	1942-43.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales	34,952	41,830	26,497	32,818
Victoria(b)	14,514	17,476	11,651	14,142
Queensland(c)	10,445	16,918	8,314	10,994
South Australia	6,747	7,837	4,255	5,237
Western Australia	6,067	6,759	4,171	4,720
Tasmania .. ..	..	..	(d) 239	(d) 255
Total, Six States	72,725	90,820	55,127	68,166
Commonwealth	23,386	28,008	15,665	18,801
Grand Total	96,111	118,828	70,792	86,967

(a) Excludes Interest, &c., charges.

(b) Railways and State Coal-mine only.

(c) Railways only.

(d) Expenditure on account of losses by Transport Commission.

(c) Railways

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1941-42.(a)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income and Dividend Tax.	Other Taxes on Income. (b)	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties.	Motor Taxes.	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
TOTAL.									
N. South Wales	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Victoria ..	..	16,935,928	..	2,137	2,775,752	1,446,042	2,504,095	1,134,228	24,798,182
Queensland ..	..	5,903,387	1,284,797	516,282	1,426,525	938,551	1,675,256	1,178,818	12,923,616
South Australia ..	..	3,823,033	2,370,565	400,987	605,375	489,166	877,727	374,882	8,941,735
Western Aust.	..	2,818,846	..	300,219	586,899	232,732	505,528	346,543	4,790,767
Tasmania ..	..	2,290,661	333,468	135,939	180,240	219,452	374,380	284,305	3,818,445
	..	1,108,847	..	92,809	139,980	75,219	184,682	(c) 385,196	1,986,738
Total States ..	..	32,880,702	3,988,830	1,448,373	5,714,771	3,401,162	6,121,668	3,703,972	57,259,478
Commonwealth	56,780,808	77,563,926	..	3,691,184	2,845,005	..	..	d38,554,422	179,435,345
Grand Total	56,780,808	110,444,628	3,988,830	5,139,557	8,559,776	3,401,162	6,121,668	42,258,394	236,694,823

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(e)

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
N. South Wales	..	6 0 5	..	..	0 19 9	0 10 3	0 17 10	0 8 1	8 16 4
Victoria ..	..	3 0 5	0 13 2	0 5 3	0 14 7	0 9 7	0 17 1	0 12 2	6 12 3
Queensland ..	..	3 13 11	2 5 10	0 7 9	0 11 8	0 9 5	0 17 0	0 7 2	8 12 9
South Australia ..	..	4 13 2	..	0 9 11	0 19 5	0 7 8	0 16 8	0 11 6	7 18 4
Western Aust.	..	4 17 9	0 14 3	0 5 10	0 7 8	0 9 4	0 16 0	0 12 2	8 3 0
Tasmania ..	..	4 12 7	..	0 7 9	0 11 9	0 6 3	0 15 5	1 12 2	8 5 11
Total States ..	..	4 12 5	0 11 2	0 4 1	0 16 1	0 9 7	0 17 2	0 10 6	8 1 0
Commonwealth	7 19 1	10 17 4	..	0 10 4	0 8 0	..	..	5 8 1	25 2 10
Grand Total	7 19 1	15 9 6	0 11 2	0 14 5	1 4 0	0 9 6	0 17 2	5 18 5	33 3 3

(a) The foregoing particulars include those amounts collected by State Governments and paid into Special Funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. (b) Includes Unemployment Relief, State Development, Financial Emergency and Hospital Taxes. (c) Includes Income Tax on Lottery prizes. (d) Includes Sales, Flour, Pay-roll and Gold Taxes and Gift Duty. See page 27 for details. (e) Based on mean population for the financial year.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.			Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Other.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£
1938-39 ..	47,632,365	26,404,534	74,036,899	50,506,997	124,543,896
1939-40 ..	53,824,906	36,185,757	90,010,663	54,386,815	144,397,478
1940-41 ..	53,779,783	71,603,739	125,383,522	56,304,176	181,687,698
1941-42 ..	56,780,808	122,654,537	179,435,345	57,259,478	236,694,823
1942-43 ..	64,878,120	192,265,400	257,143,520	a26,404,000	283,547,520

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PER HEAD.

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.(b)			Taxation by State Governments. (c)	Total Taxation. (b)
	Customs and Excise.	Other.	Total.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1938-39 ..	6 17 7	3 16 3	10 13 10	7 6 2	17 19 6
1939-40 ..	7 13 11	5 3 5	12 17 4	7 16 0	20 13 0
1940-41 ..	7 12 2	10 2 7	17 14 9	7 19 10	25 14 1
1941-42 ..	7 19 1	17 3 9	25 2 10	8 1 0	33 3 3
1942-43 ..	9 0 3	26 14 1	35 14 4	3 13 7	39 7 9

(a) Approximate. Excludes £27,006,000 (£3 15s. 3d. per head) payment by Commonwealth to States under Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts, 1942. (b) Based on mean population of Commonwealth for each financial year. (c) Based on aggregate mean population of the six States, for each financial year.

NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

Year ended June.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total, Six States.	Commonwealth.(a)	Grand Total.
1941-42	£'000. 3,055	£'000. 1,098	£'000 1,684	£'000. 1,246	£'000. 679	£'000. 715	£'000. 3,465	£'000. 212,805	£'000. 221,282
1942-43	1,901	201	455	31	376	501	3,465	403,018	406,483

(a) Includes Defence and War Services, 1941-42, £210,876,000; 1942-43, £402,853,000.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.—(i) TOTAL DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—				
		1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.
PUBLIC DEBT.						
Commonwealth—						
War (1914-19)	Australia £A.	175,193,890	173,028,896	171,240,024	167,219,614	166,531,732
	London £Stg.	90,744,381	90,744,381	90,744,380	90,744,380	90,744,381
War (1939-43)	Australia £A.	..	46,808,759	109,049,579	321,344,875	712,896,088
	London £Stg.	..	5,810,000	17,875,000	17,875,000	17,888,500
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	43,302,593	37,279,030	39,458,596	39,956,165	38,241,177
	London £Stg.	72,096,566	65,779,396	65,384,097	65,134,096	64,884,096
	New York £Stg.	15,913,501	15,876,718	15,876,718	15,876,718	15,790,414
Total ..	Australia £A.	218,496,483	257,116,685	320,348,199	528,520,654	917,668,997
	London £Stg.	162,840,947	162,333,777	174,003,477	173,753,476	173,516,977
	New York £Stg.	15,913,501	15,876,718	15,876,718	15,876,718	15,790,414
Total ..	..	397,250,931	435,327,180	510,228,394	718,150,848	1,106,976,388
State ..	Australia £A.	485,179,757	493,646,681	504,494,372	504,439,305	494,115,500
	London £Stg.	384,327,833	384,162,382	384,041,606	380,422,219	379,113,037
	New York £Stg.	28,264,451	27,918,001	27,486,068	25,816,388	25,610,182
Total ..	..	897,772,041	905,727,064	916,022,046	910,677,912	898,838,719
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	703,676,240	750,763,366	824,842,571	1,032,959,959	1,411,784,497
	London £Stg.	547,168,780	546,496,159	558,045,083	554,175,695	552,630,014
	New York £Stg.	44,177,952	43,794,719	43,362,786	41,693,106	41,400,596
Total ..	..	1,295,022,972	1,341,054,244	1,426,250,440	1,628,828,760	2,005,815,107

(ii) DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—				
		1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.
PER HEAD OF POPULATION.						
Commonwealth— War (1914-19)	Australia £A.	£ s. d. 25 3 4	£ s. d. 24 12 2	£ s. d. 24 2 3	£ s. d. 23 6 2	£ s. d. 23 0 8
	London £Stg.	13 0 9	12 18 2	12 15 6	12 13 0	12 11 0
War (1939-43)	Australia £A.	..	6 13 2	15 8 9	44 15 10	98 12 2
	London £Stg.	..	0 16 6	2 10 5	2 9 10	2 9 6
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	6 4 5	5 6 0	5 11 1	5 11 5	5 5 10
	London £Stg.	10 7 1	9 7 1	9 4 1	9 1 7	8 19 6
	New York £Stg.	2 5 9	2 5 2	2 4 9	2 4 3	2 3 8
Total ..	Australia £A.	31 7 9	36 11 4	45 2 1	73 13 5	126 18 8
	London £Stg.	23 7 10	23 1 9	24 10 0	24 4 5	24 0 0
	New York £Stg.	2 5 9	2 5 2	2 4 9	2 4 3	2 3 8
Total ..	..	57 1 4	61 18 3	71 16 10	100 2 1	153 2 4
State ..	Australia £A.	69 17 8	70 8 4	71 5 4	70 10 5	68 10 8
	London £Stg.	55 7 2	54 15 11	54 5 0	53 3 8	52 11 8
	New York £Stg.	4 1 5	3 19 8	3 17 8	3 12 2	3 11 1
Total ..	..	129 6 3	129 3 11	129 8 0	127 6 3	124 13 5
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	101 1 10	106 15 6	116 2 9	143 19 8	195 5 8
	London £Stg.	78 12 1	77 14 6	78 11 5	77 4 11	76 8 10
	New York £Stg.	6 6 11	6 4 7	6 2 1	5 16 3	5 14 6
Total ..	..	186 0 10	190 14 7	200 16 3	227 0 10	277 9 0

(iii)—INTEREST PAYABLE.

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June—					
		1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	
INTEREST PAYABLE.							
Commonwealth	..	Australia £A. London £Stg.(a) New York £Stg.	8,344,627 3,403,554 775,586	9,420,640 3,387,796 775,930	11,248,796 3,786,322 775,930	16,135,040 3,655,830 775,930	25,144,319 3,290,884 771,780
Total(b)	12,525,767	13,584,366	15,761,048	20,566,800	29,206,983
State	..	Australia £A. London £Stg. New York £Stg.	17,240,238 14,962,882 1,441,476	17,593,171 14,958,802 1,420,694	17,866,911 14,954,603 1,304,925	17,283,764 14,500,345 1,282,976	16,862,701 14,500,853 1,272,666
Total(b)	33,644,596	33,972,667	34,216,439	33,067,085	32,636,220
Grand Total, Commonwealth and State	..	Australia £A. London £Stg.(a) New York £Stg.	25,584,865 18,366,436 2,219,062	27,013,811 18,346,598 2,196,624	29,115,707 18,690,925 2,170,855	33,418,804 18,156,175 2,058,906	42,007,020 17,791,737 2,044,446
Total(b)	46,170,363	47,557,033	49,977,487	53,633,885	61,843,203

(a) Excludes suspended interest (£3,919,774) on War Debt to British Government (£79,724,220). (b) The totals shown represent the nominal amount of interest, taking no account of exchange.

(iv)—AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.
AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.						
Commonwealth and State	Australia London(a) New York	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
		3 12 9	3 12 4	3 11 1	3 5 1	2 19 9
		3 18 7	3 18 7	3 18 2	3 16 7	3 17 3
		5 0 6	5 0 4	5 0 2	4 18 9	4 18 9
		3 16 0	3 15 8	3 14 6	3 9 6	3 4 10

(a) See note (a) above. (b) Based on the nominal amount of interest payable, taking no account of exchange.

(v)—SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At—									
		30th June, 1935.	30th June, 1936.	30th June, 1937.	30th June, 1938.	30th June, 1939.	30th June, 1940.	30th June, 1941.	30th June, 1942.	30th June, 1943.	
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	
	London £Stg.	10,220	10,220	9,720	5,495	4,220	3,970	1,750	83,500	259,250	
State ..	Australia £A.	45,124	47,013	46,408	46,598	50,228	45,463	45,423	45,083	39,200	
	London £Stg.	23,405	23,155	23,155	23,155	23,155	23,155	23,155	24,879	39,229	
Total ..	Australia £A.	45,124	47,013	46,408	46,598	50,228	45,463	47,173	128,583	298,450	
	London £Stg.	33,625	33,375	32,875	28,650	27,375	27,125	26,875	28,349	26,949	

(a) Excludes Overdrafts.

(D.) BANKING.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (Including Commonwealth Bank.)

Quarter ended—	Deposits.			Advances.	Government and Municipal Securities (including Treasury Bills).	Percentage Non-interest-bearing to Total Deposits.	Percentage Advances to Total Deposits.
	Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest. (a)	Total.				
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	%	%
June, 1939 ..	140,225	250,562	390,787	332,688	93,820	35.6	81.3
„ 1940 ..	170,778	268,196	438,974	347,380	118,733	38.9	75.7
„ 1941 ..	189,643	268,408	458,051	330,535	142,928	41.3	68.9
„ 1942 ..	227,076	255,646	482,722	323,850	198,429	47.0	64.0
Sept., 1942 ..	237,698	252,922	490,620	312,971	211,590	48.4	60.8
Dec., 1942 ..	270,785	266,794	537,579	295,065	266,813	50.3	52.2
Mar., 1943 ..	299,476	278,119	577,595	284,714	324,970	51.8	46.9
June, 1943 ..	314,609	301,820	616,429	291,680	352,250	50.9	45.1

(a) Includes Inscribed Deposit Stock of E.S. and A. and Queensland National Banks. (b) Includes Short-term Loans, other than Treasury Bills of the Commonwealth Bank. (c) In computing the ratios the figures relating to the Rural Bank of New South Wales have been excluded.

NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS.

AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA.

Quarter ended—	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest. (a)	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1939 ..	167	3,066	810	120,112	203,852	323,964	323,007
" 1940 ..	167	3,592	1,000	138,438	214,686	353,124	357,883
" 1941 ..	167	3,580	932	157,746	209,956	367,702	372,381
" 1942 ..	167	3,912	1,061	193,619	195,493	389,112	394,252
Sept., 1942 ..	167	3,666	1,113	199,187	193,108	392,295	397,241
Dec., 1942 ..	167	4,229	1,278	225,379	194,048	419,427	425,101
Mar., 1943 ..	167	4,152	928	250,190	197,143	447,333	452,580
June, 1943 ..	167	4,452	955	258,441	199,519	457,960	463,534

(a) Includes inscribed deposit stock of the Queensland National and E.S. and A. Banks.

NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS.

AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA.

Quarter ended—	Coin and Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank.	Government and Municipal Securities. (a)	Special War-time Deposits with Commonwealth Bank.	Land and House Property.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Discounts, Overdrafts and all other assets.	Total Assets.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1939 ..	3,006	27,449	47,298	..	9,558	1,631	2,134	290,776	381,902
" 1940 ..	2,193	36,793	83,617	..	9,983	2,099	2,340	286,784	423,809
" 1941 ..	2,139	34,225	102,354	..	10,297	2,737	2,537	283,054	437,343
" 1942 ..	1,533	37,049	95,837	36,797	9,996	3,246	3,551	269,944	457,953
Sept., 1942 ..	1,603	44,719	96,720	38,238	9,984	3,295	3,501	264,110	462,170
Dec., 1942 ..	1,603	49,023	118,404	54,570	9,936	3,023	3,782	249,631	489,972
Mar., 1943 ..	1,812	42,135	140,488	80,472	9,899	2,782	3,896	236,361	517,345
June, 1943 ..	1,819	30,573	133,785	100,401	9,881	2,855	3,928	244,776	528,018

(a) Includes Treasury Bills.

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Quarter ended—	General Banking Department.							Note Issue and General Banking Department.	Notes held outside Commonwealth Bank.
	Business within Australia.								
	Deposits.			Balances Due to other Banks.	Special War-time Deposits lodged by Trading Banks.	Advances, &c., and Short-term Loans.	Government and Municipal Securities. (b)	Sterling Reserve and Short Call Money in London. (c)	
	Not Bearing Interest. (a)	Bearing Interest.	Total.						
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1939..	18,128	43,275	61,403	18,746	..	18,948	44,935	32,866	44,128
” 1940..	30,054	50,169	80,223	28,968	..	37,412	33,086	58,539	51,606
” 1941..	28,699	55,150	83,849	29,078	..	24,626	37,976	74,201	63,724
” 1942..	29,815	57,132	86,947	33,076	37,286	32,129	100,057	58,590	94,917
Sept., 1942..	34,793	56,670	91,463	38,569	38,727	27,580	112,413	63,212	104,405
Dec., 1942..	41,131	69,450	110,581	42,874	55,040	24,686	145,483	75,927	113,317
Mar., 1943..	44,024	77,266	121,290	37,399	80,912	28,278	180,333	76,387	122,973
June, 1943..	50,953	98,684	149,637	25,885	100,844	27,026	213,961	80,913	133,350

(a) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate deducted. to be taken as a measure of Net London Funds.

(b) Includes Treasury Bills.

(c) Note

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
June—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939 ..	87,474	80,461	29,045	27,397	12,396	8,396	99	319	245,587
1940 ..	82,111	79,145	28,252	26,563	11,860	8,518	192	350	236,991
1941 ..	87,750	85,689	29,089	27,510	12,521	8,941	357	374	252,231
1942 ..	94,538	94,226	31,214	30,616	13,821	9,472	(b)	388	274,275
1943 ..	122,405	121,249	45,197	38,563	18,884	11,175	(b)	522	357,995
1942—									
April ..	91,111	90,926	29,909	29,423	13,263	9,439	(b)	375	264,446
May ..	92,925	92,712	30,361	29,831	13,563	9,509	(b)	385	269,286
June ..	94,538	94,226	31,214	30,616	13,821	9,472	(b)	388	274,275
1943—									
April ..	115,500	114,349	41,762	36,547	17,774	10,699	(b)	493	337,124
May ..	118,016	116,974	43,039	37,232	18,265	10,903	(b)	513	344,942
June ..	122,405	121,249	45,197	38,563	18,884	11,175	(b)	522	357,995

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

(b) Deposits transferred to South Australia.

NOTE.—In addition to the savings shown above a net amount (i.e., total less re-purchases), of £35,146,000 was subscribed for War Savings Certificates between March, 1940, and June, 1943.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK—DEPOSITS.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June—									
1939 ..	87,474	11,242	29,045	3,167	12,396	2,358	99	319	146,100
1940 ..	82,111	11,785	28,252	3,094	11,860	2,297	192	350	139,941
1941 ..	87,750	13,942	29,089	3,509	12,521	2,423	357	374	149,965
1942 ..	94,538	16,910	31,214	4,684	13,821	2,705	(a)	388	164,260
1943 ..	122,405	23,732	45,197	6,311	18,884	3,542	(a)	522	220,593
1942—									
April ..	91,111	16,314	29,909	4,447	13,263	2,578	(a)	375	157,997
May ..	92,925	16,705	30,361	4,523	13,563	2,644	(a)	385	161,106
June ..	94,538	16,910	31,214	4,684	13,821	2,705	(a)	388	164,260
1943—									
April ..	115,500	22,278	41,762	6,049	17,774	3,304	(a)	493	207,160
May ..	118,016	22,739	43,039	6,147	18,265	3,391	(a)	513	212,110
June ..	122,405	23,732	45,197	6,311	18,884	3,542	(a)	522	220,593

(a) Deposits transferred to South Australia.

BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED.

Weekly Average.	Sydney.		Melbourne.		Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth.	Hobart.
	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)				
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Year 1939 ..	23,428	17,930	16,627	15,626	4,288	2,930	2,059	652
" 1940 ..	26,073	20,538	19,380	18,829	4,803	3,426	2,293	701
" 1941 ..	26,978	21,841	21,621	21,010	4,676	3,763	2,234	699
" 1942 ..	29,157	23,933	24,555	24,228	5,284	4,226	2,398	774
1943—								
30th Mar. to 26th Apr.	32,798	26,464	27,787	27,762	5,470	4,754	2,472	768
27th Apr. to 31st May	34,346	30,284	28,608	28,588	6,810	4,832	2,638	799
1st Jan. to 28th June	34,124	29,845	28,873	28,847	6,911	4,706	2,453	855

(a) Average weekly clearings excluding transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills. These abnormal transactions have been in operation in Victoria since October, 1929, and in New South Wales, since October, 1930.

Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, Motor Vehicles and Wireless.

A.—Railways.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

Heading.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Government—					
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,113	6,114	6,141	6,127	6,127
Victoria ..	4,721	4,750	4,759	4,750	4,766
Queensland ..	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567
South Australia ..	2,557	2,557	2,557	2,557	2,557
Western Australia ..	4,376	4,378	4,381	4,381	4,381
Tasmania ..	651	658	645	642	642
Total ..	27,186	27,234	27,251	27,234	27,241

CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.(a)

Government.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth ..	16,897,209	17,032,884	17,191,356	17,332,574	17,433,858
New South Wales ..	146,808,073	147,617,530	149,203,908	149,575,526	150,661,127
Victoria ..	51,764,255	52,448,789	52,037,722	52,229,383	52,718,195
Queensland ..	37,446,264	37,897,129	38,369,254	38,777,931	38,827,199
South Australia ..	29,582,615	29,732,889	30,109,220	30,399,735	30,801,278
Western Australia ..	25,779,661	26,021,781	26,187,632	26,309,388	26,393,048
Tasmania ..	2,106,081	2,140,330	2,155,261	2,248,034	2,348,784
Total(b) ..	314,746,658	317,253,832	319,616,853	321,235,071	323,545,989

AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Government.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
Commonwealth ..	2,197	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,114	6,114	6,118	6,127	6,127
Victoria ..	4,721	4,754	4,759	4,759	4,746
Queensland ..	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567
South Australia ..	2,555	2,557	2,557	2,557	2,557
Western Australia ..	4,374	4,376	4,380	4,381	4,381
Tasmania ..	651	658	644	642	642
Total ..	27,179	27,227	27,226	27,234	27,221

TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN(c)—'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	758	902	958	1,234	2,322
New South Wales ..	30,203	30,106	29,471	32,285	33,668
Victoria ..	17,917	17,890	17,008	17,767	18,249
Queensland ..	13,648	13,927	14,190	14,603	16,396
South Australia ..	6,111	6,177	5,928	5,892	6,599
Western Australia ..	6,372	6,575	6,134	6,144	6,355
Tasmania ..	1,933	1,906	2,064	2,167	2,176
Total ..	76,942	77,483	75,753	80,092	88,465

GROSS REVENUE—£'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	443	547	622	971	2,195
New South Wales ..	20,286	19,946	20,755	24,016	28,487
Victoria ..	9,735	9,284	9,861	11,239	14,520
Queensland ..	7,383	7,798	8,090	8,415	11,654
South Australia ..	3,285	3,119	3,168	3,512	4,944
Western Australia ..	3,678	3,599	3,556	3,572	3,996
Tasmania ..	464	487	536	600	686
Total ..	45,274	44,780	46,588	52,325	66,482

(a) Capital has been reduced during the past fifteen years by approximately £61,500,000 (Victoria, £25,700,000; Queensland, £28,000,000; South Australia, £3,100,000; Tasmania £4,700,000).

(b) Includes £4,362,500 for Grafton-South Brisbane line.

(c) Excludes "Assistant" and

"Light" mileages.

(d) Partly estimated.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

Government.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED.					
Commonwealth	512	642	842	903	1,506
New South Wales	13,760	14,543	14,647	17,162	21,713
Victoria	7,830	8,060	8,058	8,959	11,600
Queensland	5,887	6,193	6,368	6,708	8,488
South Australia	2,867	2,931	2,937	3,062	3,856
Western Australia	2,710	2,911	2,828	2,758	3,026
Tasmania	676	678	688	757	854
Total	34,242	35,958	36,368	40,309	51,043

NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth	-69	-95	-220	68	689
New South Wales	6,526	5,403	6,108	6,854	6,774
Victoria	1,905	1,224	1,803	2,280	2,920
Queensland	1,496	1,605	1,722	1,707	3,166
South Australia	418	188	231	450	1,088
Western Australia	968	688	728	814	970
Tasmania	-212	-191	-152	-157	-168
Total	11,032	8,822	10,220	12,016	15,439

PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.(a)

	%	%	%	%	%
Commonwealth	-0.41	-0.56	-1.28	0.39	3.95
New South Wales	4.45	3.66	4.09	4.58	4.50
Victoria	3.68	2.33	3.47	4.37	5.54
Queensland	3.99	4.24	4.49	4.40	8.15
South Australia	1.41	0.63	0.77	1.48	3.53
Western Australia	3.75	2.64	2.78	3.09	3.68
Tasmania	-10.06	-8.91	-7.02	-6.99	-7.16
Total (b)	3.55	2.78	3.20	3.74	4.77

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

(a) See note (a) on previous page. (b) Includes Grafton-South Brisbane line (see note (b) on previous page).

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

PARTICULARS FOR NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1942.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,127	4,745	6,497	2,557	4,381	642	27,150
cRevenue—								
cCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	456	8,593	4,972	2,314	1,049	823	165	18,372
cGoods, including live stock and minerals £	843	10,357	4,588	5,258	2,087	2,069	314	25,516
cMiscellaneous £	158	(d) 974	792	(e)	301	99	17	2,341
cTotal Revenue £	1,457	f 19,924	10,352	7,572	3,437	2,991	496	46,229
cExpenditure £	939	13,900	7,263	5,446	2,626	2,235	(g) 559	32,968
cTrain-miles run ..	1,507	26,388	13,622	11,686	4,852	(h) 4,877	(i) 1,641	64,573
Earnings per train-mile	19s. 4d.	15s. 1d.	15s. 2d.	13s. 0d.	14s. 2d.	12s. 3d.	6s. 1d.	14s. 4d.
Expenditure per train-mile	12s. 5d.	10s. 6d.	10s. 8d.	9s. 4d.	10s. 10d.	9s. 2d.	6s. 10d.	10s. 3d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings	64.56	69.76	70.16	71.92	76.44	74.74	112.63	71.32
cPassenger-journeys, No.	215	161,584	134,564	21,934	20,639	10,339	2,332	351,607
cCoal and Coke carried, tons	15	(j)	336	664	137	216	286	(l)
cOther Minerals carried, tons	24	(j)	(j)	293	417	135	(k)	(l)
cLive stock carried, tons	118	(m) 600	599	401	171	102	23	2,014
cOther Goods carried ..	73	13,649	4,541	2,922	1,532	1,532	456	25,305
cTotal Freight carried ..	230	14,249	5,476	4,280	2,257	1,985	765	29,242

(a) Excludes Grafton-South Brisbane line.

(b) Includes Road Motors.

(c) '000 omitted.

(d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.

(e) Included with Coaching.

(f) Excludes Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines.

(g) Excludes depreciation.

(h) Includes Assistant and Light Miles.

(i) Includes Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor Miles.

(j) Included with Other Goods.

(k) Included with Coal and Coke.

(l) Not available.

(m) Estimated.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.
PARTICULARS FOR NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1943.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,127	4,764	6,497	2,548	4,381	642	27,160
cRevenue—								
cCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	712	10,681	5,770	3,685	1,296	1,031	229	23,404
cGoods, including live stock and minerals £	1,964	13,768	6,145	9,174	2,717	2,207	360	36,335
cMiscellaneous £	53	(d)1,110	912	(e)	342	125	26	2,568
cTotal Revenue £	2,729	f25,559	12,827	12,859	4,355	3,363	615	62,307
cExpenditure £	1,507	19,006	9,009	7,579	3,279	2,539	(g) 637	43,556
cTrain-miles run ..	2,588	31,137	13,920	14,536	5,106	(h)4,897	(i)1,674	73,858
Earnings per train-mile	21s. 1d.	16s. 5d.	18s. 5d.	17s. 8d.	17s. 1d.	13s. 9d.	7s. 4d.	16s. 10d.
Expenditure per train-mile ..	11s. 8d.	12s. 2d.	12s. 11d.	10s. 5d.	12s. 10d.	10s. 4d.	7s. 7d.	11s. 10d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings	55.24	74.36	70.24	58.94	75.29	75.50	103.50	69.91
cPassenger-journeys, No.	339	176,904	149,326	24,508	24,859	12,721	2,492	388,149
cCoal and Coke carried, tons	6	(j)	(j)	763	140	201	222	(l)
cOther Minerals carried, tons	10	(j)	(j)	336	385	118	(k)	(l)
cLive Stock carried, tons	27	(m) 600	(m) 500	411	194	110	26	1,868
cOther Goods carried ..	301	14,176	6,009	3,337	1,877	1,430	484	27,614
cTotal Freight carried ..	344	14,776	6,509	4,847	2,596	1,859	732	31,663

(a) Excludes Grafton-South Brisbane line. (b) Includes Road Motors. (c) '000 omitted.
(d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.
(e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excludes Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying
developmental lines. (g) Excludes depreciation. (h) Includes Assistant and Light Miles.
(i) Includes Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor Miles. (j) Included with Other Goods. (k) Included
with Coal and Coke. (l) Not available. (m) Estimated.

B.—Civil Aviation.(a)

Particulars.	Nine months ended March—				
	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.
Registered Aircraft owners					
(c) No.	149	137	120	119	(e) 119
Registered Aircraft(c) ..	296	288	202	192	(e) 192
Licensed Pilots—(c)					
Private	1,096	(b) 1,225	502	239	(e) 239
Commercial	346	(b) 324	187	181	(e) 181
Licensed Ground Engi- neers(c)	525	(b) 651	617	716	(e) 716
Aerodromes—(c)					
Government	71	73	79	72	(e) 72
Public	213	224	212	207	(e) 207
Government Emer- gency Grounds	147	141	116	116	(e) 116
Hours flown	89,384	92,126	58,995	52,450	43,102
Approximate mileage Miles '000	10,167	9,779	7,256	6,739	5,652
Passengers carried—					
Paying No.	91,590	89,917	105,292	119,495	121,138
Non-paying	17,323	17,936	6,829	4,287	2,103
Total	109,913	107,853	112,121	123,782	123,241
Goods, Weight carried lb. '000	1,212	1,348	1,529	1,922	1,565
Mails, Weight carried .. '000	(d) 557	(d) 327	(d) 358	(d) 692	(d) 1,076
Accidents—					
Persons killed .. No.	36	9	..	15	2
.. injured	10	4	1	3	3

(a) Includes particulars of the Darwin-Singapore oversea service, but excludes those relating to civil aviation in New Guinea. (b) Includes licences issued for New Guinea. (c) At 30th June of year shown above each column, except for 1943. (d) Includes gross weight of oversea mail, i.e., includes weight of mail bags. (e) At 30th June, 1942. June, 1943, figures not yet available.

C.—Telephones.

Particulars.	At 30th June, 1939.	At 30th June, 1940.	At 30th June, 1941.	At 30th June, 1942.	At 30th June, 1943.
Lines connected .. No.	487,535	506,612	525,547	531,075	540,261
Instruments connected ..	661,996	691,088	720,321	738,666	766,846

D.—Motor Vehicles.

State or Territory.	No. of Registrations.				Drivers' and Riders' Licences Issued.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Commercial Vehicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax. £	Drivers' and Riders' &c., Licences. £	Miscellaneous. £	Total. £
1941-42.									
New South Wales ..	171,268	72,138	15,323	258,729	427,910	2,235,717	214,738	77,995	2,528,450
Victoria ..	123,649	84,589	16,692	224,930	339,334	1,563,660	85,053	35,895	1,684,608
Queensland ..	60,929	43,029	5,566	109,524	209,412	793,376	52,769	50,623	896,768
South Australia ..	49,887	21,897	5,359	77,143	106,455	446,919	53,674	14,051	514,644
Western Australia ..	29,048	21,729	4,052	54,829	73,364	324,702	23,328	30,536	378,566
Tasmania ..	14,189	5,438	2,244	21,871	25,282	150,788	12,641	22,461	185,890
Northern Territory	464	1,270	162	1,896	2,182	3,191	901	..	4,092
Australian Capital Territory ..	1,417	425	69	1,911	2,733	10,272	1,469	143	11,884
Total ..	450,851	250,515	49,467	750,833	1,186,672	5,528,625	444,573	231,704	6,204,902
Total, 1940-41 ..	538,527	262,484	70,922	871,933	1,260,193	6,562,350	496,670	275,911	7,334,931

REGISTRATIONS AT 30TH JUNE, 1943.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	174,537	128,864	64,705	53,933	29,805	15,844	152	1,392	469,232
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	73,082	88,460	45,703	22,719	21,429	5,582	1,064	405	258,444
Motor Cycles ..	14,164	16,275	5,432	5,977	3,936	2,454	13	70	48,321
Total ..	261,783	233,599	115,840	82,629	55,170	23,880	1,229	1,867	775,997
Total at 30th June, 1942 ..	258,729	224,930	109,524	77,143	54,829	21,871	1,896	1,911	750,833

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW VEHICLES DURING THE YEAR ENDED JUNE, 1943.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	(a)S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	654	852	332	225	220	69	8	2,360
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	781	1,153	548	293	215	91	3	3,084
Motor Cycles ..	172	83	32	39	57	3	3	389
Total ..	1,607	2,088	912	557	492	163	14	5,833
Total Year ended June, 1942 ..	3,531	3,104	1,343	1,105	720	296	17	10,116

(a) Excludes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above particulars of primary producers' vehicles, Victoria, are included under the heading Commercial Vehicles, &c.

E.—Wireless.

NUMBER OF BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENCES.

In force at—	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land. (b)	S. Aust. (c)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1930 ..	111,080	139,887	23,263	25,671	5,715	6,032	311,648
" " 1931 ..	122,470	137,005	24,108	30,238	9,075	8,232	331,128
" " 1932 ..	141,450	139,323	28,958	37,142	12,679	9,540	389,092
" " 1933 ..	178,000	170,995	36,186	50,150	20,536	12,563	468,430
" " 1934 ..	226,831	206,995	52,038	64,174	31,404	16,547	597,989
" " 1935 ..	278,648	236,886	67,369	76,365	41,176	20,088	720,532
" " 1936 ..	315,731	263,414	83,028	87,335	49,987	24,118	823,613
" " 1937 ..	358,292	288,717	101,358	99,033	61,151	29,780	938,331
" " 1938 ..	403,978	315,406	117,496	111,787	71,324	36,013	1,056,004
" " 1939 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,307	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
" " 1940 ..	453,155	343,158	151,110	124,891	87,764	42,182	1,212,260
" " 1941 ..	494,884	362,790	168,216	131,292	91,368	44,716	1,293,266
" " 1942 ..	500,451	371,502	172,527	137,244	91,945	46,404	1,320,073
" " 1943(d)	552,044	390,950	177,846	151,258	97,785	49,910	1,419,793

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Papua. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) Includes licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person.

Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.	Australia
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.										
1938	194	147	111	114	136	78	6	15	801	(a)366
1939	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	819	(a)380
1940	196	147	115	118	140	77	4	15	812	(a)381
1941	193	146	115	117	141	76	4	15	807	(a)374
1942	194	142	113	113	138	73	4	15	792	(a)377

NUMBER OF BRANCHES.

1938	573	400	314	179	202	58	..	1	1,727	(b)2,162
1939	598	398	312	178	204	69	..	1	1,760	(b)2,199
1940	601	387	309	174	209	71	..	1	1,752	(b)2,183
1941	599	386	309	174	208	71	..	1	1,748	(b)2,181
1942	597	382	308	174	208	71	..	1	1,741	(b)2,156

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1938	346,837	215,021	169,569	62,404	67,932	21,051	806	1,538	885,158	885,158
1939	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,333	22,062	761	1,685	915,470	915,470
1940	364,202	232,288	189,732	73,503	68,271	24,556	1,405	1,905	955,862	955,862
1941	425,522	270,343	192,015	95,289	65,015	24,292	1,406	1,798	1,075,680	1,075,680
1942	483,039	302,782	190,578	111,388	64,535	26,893	1,406	1,796	1,182,417	1,182,417

(a) Allowing for Interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and Interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Interstate unions, but also head State branches of Interstate unions.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

Unemployment—Australia—Number and Membership of Reporting Unions and Branches, and Number and Percentage Unemployed.(a)

Period.					Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
							Number.	Percentage. (b)
1938	Year	..	..	..	390	466,325	40,138	8.7
1939	"	..	..	..	396	476,918	45,967	9.7
1940	"	..	..	..	394	491,352	39,116	8.0
1941	"	..	..	..	395	536,660	20,013	3.7
1942	"	..	..	..	394	613,534	9,768	1.6
1932—June	Quarter(c)	..	..	..	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
1939—September	"	..	..	..	397	478,000	48,888	10.2
December	"	..	..	..	392	478,245	44,253	9.3
1940—March	"	..	..	..	394	483,806	38,307	7.9
June	"	..	..	..	383	475,815	49,775	10.5
September	"	..	..	..	397	496,872	36,892	7.4
December	"	..	..	..	396	508,914	31,491	6.2
1941—March	"	..	..	..	398	514,379	27,289	5.3
June	"	..	..	..	395	517,696	18,595	3.6
September	"	..	..	..	394	541,833	17,541	3.2
December	"	..	..	..	394	572,680	16,628	2.9
1942—March	"	..	..	..	394	588,525	10,767	1.8
June	"	..	..	..	394	603,066	10,296	1.7
September	"	..	..	..	394	617,076	9,603	1.6
December	"	..	..	..	394	645,467	8,350	1.3
1943—March	"	..	..	..	394	665,334	8,021	1.2
June	"	..	..	..	391	680,292	7,423	1.1

NOTE.—The unions covered by the returns represent 56 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they include sickness but not persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters. (b) A more extended table of percentages will be found on page 70. (c) Peak of unemployment.

Unemployment (a)—States—Percentage Unemployed.

Period.				N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
				%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1937 Year	..	..	..	10.9	9.0	7.3	8.2	5.6	7.3	9.3
1938 "	..	..	..	9.9	8.6	6.4	8.3	5.7	7.9	8.7
1939 "	..	..	..	11.0	10.4	5.9	9.3	7.1	8.1	9.7
1940 "	..	..	..	11.0	5.8	5.5	7.0	5.6	5.2	8.0
1941 "	..	..	..	4.7	2.5	4.5	2.7	2.9	3.3	3.7
1942 "	..	..	..	1.8	1.2	2.3	1.1	1.6	0.8	1.6
1932—June	Quarter (b)	..	..	33.2	27.7	19.9	35.2	30.3	27.5	30.0
1933—September	"	..	..	10.0	9.7	6.3	10.0	6.1	8.5	9.2
December	"	..	..	10.1	9.0	5.7	8.8	6.5	10.2	8.9
1939—March	"	..	..	10.6	10.8	6.1	9.3	7.3	7.6	9.6
June	"	..	..	10.6	10.4	5.7	9.5	6.2	9.4	9.5
September	"	..	..	11.6	11.2	5.8	9.4	8.2	8.3	10.2
December	"	..	..	11.1	9.0	5.8	9.1	6.6	7.1	9.3
1940—March	"	..	..	9.7	6.5	5.8	8.5	6.9	4.8	7.9
June	" (c)	..	..	15.9	6.6	6.8	8.3	5.6	5.0	10.5
September	"	..	..	9.8	5.9	4.9	6.6	6.0	4.6	7.4
December	"	..	..	8.5	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.0	6.5	6.2
1941—March	"	..	..	7.0	3.2	5.9	3.9	4.3	3.6	5.3
June	"	..	..	4.5	2.4	4.2	2.8	3.1	2.4	3.6
September	"	..	..	4.0	2.2	4.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	3.2
December	"	..	..	3.5	2.1	3.8	1.8	1.8	4.5	2.9
1942—March	"	..	..	2.0	1.4	3.2	1.0	1.7	0.7	1.3
June	"	..	..	1.9	1.2	2.6	1.3	1.7	0.6	1.7
September	"	..	..	1.9	1.2	1.8	1.1	1.8	0.9	1.6
December	"	..	..	1.5	0.9	1.6	0.9	1.3	0.8	1.3
1943—March	"	..	..	1.4	0.8	1.5	1.0	1.6	1.3	1.2
June	"	..	..	1.3	0.6	1.3	1.0	1.5	1.2	1.1

NOTE.—For some States the returns are a more representative sample than for others. The table above, therefore, should not be read as indicating the relative degree of unemployment among trade unionists in the individual States, but as an indication of trend of unemployment as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

(a) See notes to table on page 49. (b) Peak of unemployment. (c) Coal-mining employees out of work owing to the industrial dispute were excluded from the tabulation, but persons in other industries indirectly unemployed owing to the dispute were included.

Unemployment (a)—Australia—Percentages in Industrial Groups.

Industrial Group.	1929.	1932.	1942.			1943.	
	March Qtr.	June Qtr.(b)	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Manufacturing—							
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. . .	6.5	39.6	1.1	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.8
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c. . .	11.2	33.9	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.6	0.5
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c. . .	5.5	19.3	3.8	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.4
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c. . .	9.8	22.6	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.9
V. Books, Printing, &c. . .	2.6	16.8	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2
VI. Other Manufacturing . . .	13.8	43.0	1.4	1.4	1.4	0.9	0.8
VII. Building . . .	10.6	42.1	3.5	2.3	1.9	1.5	1.4
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c. . .	13.2	34.2	4.4	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.7
X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway Services . . .	7.6	29.6	2.6	2.3	2.3	1.6	1.0
IX., XI., XII., XIII., and XIV.(c) Other and Miscellaneous . . .	7.3	22.2	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2
All Groups . . .	9.3	30.0	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.1

(a) See notes to table on page 49.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

(c) For classification see p. 54.

AUSTRALIA.—Employment of Wage and Salary Earners.

Month.	Estimated Total Employment, (a) (Excluding Rural and Household Domestic.)			Pay-roll Tax Returns (b):—Employees recorded on last pay-roll of month by—						
	Govt. (Commonwealth, State, Local and Allied).	Private Employers.	Total.	All Employers Furnishing Returns.	Employers whose principal activity was—					
					Mining and Quarrying.	Workshop and Factory.	Building and Construction.	Transport.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.
MALES (Thousands).										
1933—June	262.2	723.8	986.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1939—July	349.8	956.2	1,306.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1941—July	375.3	1,009.8	1,385.1	1,189.9	46.6	474.4	50.8	164.8	81.1	128.8
Nov.	381.3	1,014.9	1,396.2	1,205.8	46.1	482.9	47.6	173.1	81.1	129.5
1942—June	418.7	910.9	1,329.6	1,121.5	40.8	458.7	46.9	175.6	64.7	110.4
July	417.8	899.9	1,317.7	1,110.6	40.4	457.4	41.9	175.9	63.3	107.5
Aug.	415.7	893.2	1,308.9	1,104.3	40.0	457.1	40.0	176.6	62.3	104.4
Sept.	417.3	887.8	1,305.1	1,098.8	39.5	457.1	38.0	176.2	61.2	105.5
Oct.	417.3	882.5	1,299.8	1,093.9	39.5	456.6	37.3	176.4	60.1	104.8
Nov.	416.5	880.6	1,297.1	1,090.2	39.0	456.5	36.8	176.0	59.9	104.1
Dec.	413.7	879.0	1,292.7	1,082.4	38.3	453.7	36.5	176.1	61.6	103.3
1943—Jan.	415.8	877.9	1,293.7	1,080.8	38.4	455.8	37.2	176.4	59.6	102.7
Feb.	415.4	878.2	1,293.6	1,082.9	37.8	457.1	38.7	176.7	58.8	102.5
March	414.7	877.6	1,292.3	1,082.2	37.6	458.2	39.3	176.5	58.3	100.9
April	412.0	872.1	1,284.1	1,074.6	36.7	456.5	39.1	176.3	57.7	99.4
May	410.0	873.9	1,283.9	1,075.3	37.6	456.9	40.1	176.4	57.3	98.8
June	409.3	873.4	1,282.7	1,075.5	37.7	457.0	39.8	177.2	57.0	98.1
FEMALES (Thousands).										
1933—June	46.5	278.2	324.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1939—July	55.2	365.3	420.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1941—July	70.8	444.4	515.2	398.0	0.4	180.1	1.2	7.2	76.6	46.7
Nov.	76.3	461.1	537.4	419.2	0.4	188.9	1.3	7.9	81.4	50.0
1942—June	100.8	467.2	568.0	425.1	0.5	189.0	1.4	9.7	78.4	54.1
July	102.4	467.4	569.8	426.4	0.5	190.2	1.4	10.1	77.3	54.5
Aug.	105.3	467.2	572.5	425.9	0.5	189.8	1.4	10.3	76.7	55.0
Sept.	108.1	465.2	573.3	424.3	0.5	189.8	1.5	10.5	75.9	55.4
Oct.	110.8	468.1	578.9	428.4	0.5	191.9	1.5	10.9	76.0	55.4
Nov.	112.7	471.5	584.2	431.4	0.5	193.2	1.5	11.4	77.1	55.3
Dec.	115.7	472.1	587.8	433.1	0.5	193.2	1.5	11.8	78.3	55.1
1943—Jan.	117.7	469.3	587.0	430.9	0.5	194.0	1.5	12.3	74.9	55.4
Feb.	120.3	472.8	593.1	434.7	0.5	197.1	1.6	12.5	74.3	55.5
March	123.1	476.5	599.6	438.6	0.5	200.1	1.6	12.7	74.1	55.1
April	125.2	475.2	600.4	437.7	0.5	198.9	1.6	12.9	73.4	55.2
May	126.0	475.4	601.4	437.7	0.5	198.8	1.6	13.3	73.4	54.8
June	129.2	476.0	605.2	438.6	0.6	199.3	1.7	13.6	73.4	54.9
PERSONS (Thousands).										
1933—June	308.7	1,002.0	1,310.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1939—July	405.0	1,321.5	1,726.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1941—July	446.1	1,454.2	1,900.3	1,587.9	47.0	654.5	52.0	172.0	157.7	175.5
Nov.	457.6	1,476.0	1,933.6	1,625.0	46.5	671.8	48.9	181.0	162.5	179.5
1942—June	519.5	1,378.1	1,897.6	1,546.6	41.3	647.7	48.3	185.3	143.1	164.5
July	520.2	1,367.3	1,887.5	1,537.0	40.9	647.6	43.3	186.0	140.6	162.0
Aug.	521.0	1,360.4	1,881.4	1,530.2	40.5	646.9	41.4	186.9	139.0	159.4
Sept.	525.4	1,353.0	1,878.4	1,523.1	40.0	646.9	39.5	186.7	137.1	160.9
Oct.	528.1	1,350.6	1,878.7	1,522.3	40.0	648.5	38.8	187.3	136.1	160.2
Nov.	529.2	1,352.1	1,881.3	1,521.6	39.5	649.7	38.3	187.4	137.0	159.4
Dec.	529.4	1,351.1	1,880.5	1,515.5	38.8	646.9	38.0	187.9	139.9	158.4
1943—Jan.	533.5	1,347.2	1,880.7	1,511.7	38.9	649.8	38.7	188.7	134.5	158.1
Feb.	535.7	1,351.0	1,886.7	1,517.6	38.3	654.2	40.3	189.2	133.1	158.0
March	537.8	1,354.1	1,891.9	1,520.8	38.1	658.3	40.9	189.2	132.4	156.0
April	537.2	1,347.3	1,884.5	1,512.3	37.2	655.4	40.7	189.2	131.1	154.6
May	536.0	1,349.3	1,885.3	1,513.0	38.1	655.7	41.7	189.7	130.7	153.6
June	538.5	1,349.4	1,887.9	1,514.1	38.3	656.3	41.5	190.8	130.4	153.0

(a) Estimated number of wage and salary earners in employment defined as "persons occupied as wage and salary earners" as distinct from "equivalent of full-time employment". Employees absent in the defence forces, at home or abroad, and Government "relief" workers are excluded. (b) The numbers here shown are the total employees on the last pay-roll of each month shown on returns of employers who are taxable. Employees of State, semi-Government, and Local Government authorities are included under "All Employers Furnishing Returns", and in the appropriate industry column when separate returns are supplied, e.g., Railway Commissioners in four of the States. These industry totals are useful only as indicating trend.

EMPLOYMENT IN FACTORIES.

(Number of Employees in Thousands excluding Working Proprietors.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Vic-toria.	Queens-land.	South Aus-tralia.	Western Aus-tralia.	Tas-mania.	Australia.				
							Govern-mental (Munitions, Aircraft and Ships). (a)	Other Fac-tories (including War Con-trac-tors).	Total Fac-tories.	Index 1928-29=100.	
										Unad-justed.	Divided by Index of Total Population.
1928-29 ..	174.1	149.3	43.4	35.4	19.8	10.0	7.1	424.9	432.0	100	100
1935-36 ..	186.0	175.3	43.1	37.2	19.9	11.0	6.1	466.4	472.5	109	103
1936-37 ..	197.8	183.0	45.9	39.3	21.4	11.8	6.6	492.6	499.2	116	108
1937-38 ..	215.6	193.6	49.6	42.6	22.0	12.5	7.4	528.5	535.9	124	115
1938-39 ..	219.5	193.9	51.5	42.0	22.1	13.2	10.1	532.1	542.2	126	116
1939-40 ..	227.1	204.4	53.0	43.5	21.9	14.0	16.9	547.0	563.9	131	119
1940-41 ..	257.0	229.7	54.8	49.5	21.8	15.1	41.5	586.4	627.9	145	131
1941-42(b) ..	289.3	248.0	59.5	63.5	23.0	16.7	79.8	620.2	700.0	162	145
1942-43(c) ..	302.7	249.2	60.7	69.0	24.9	17.6	121.8	602.3	724.1	168	149
1942—											
June (b) ..	294.0	247.1	61.6	69.2	23.3	17.1	103.8	608.5	712.3	165	146
September(c) ..	297.3	246.8	61.5	68.9	23.9	16.8	113.1	602.1	715.2	166	147
December(c) ..	301.4	249.5	57.7	68.3	24.8	17.3	121.0	598.0	719.0	166	147
1943—(c)											
March ..	307.6	253.5	60.6	70.1	25.8	18.3	130.2	605.7	735.9	170	149
April ..	307.8	250.9	60.8	70.0	25.8	18.6	130.9	603.0	733.9	170	149
May ..	309.3	249.6	61.8	68.8	26.2	18.6	131.8	602.5	734.3	170	149
June ..	310.1	247.7	62.2	68.5	26.4	18.4	130.3	603.0	733.3	170	149

(a) Includes Government establishments, annexes, and certain private firms engaged in aircraft and ship-building, but excludes most private factories engaged on war contracts. (b) Preliminary final figures.

(c) From July, 1942, monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision.

EMPLOYMENT IN RETAIL STORES.**PAY-ROLL TAX.**—Employees on the last pay-roll of each month shown on returns of taxable employers whose principal activity was retail trade.

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (Six States).	
							Index.	Number.
MALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.								
Employees—July, 1941	31,868	23,782	10,701	7,278	4,746	2,529	..	80,904
1941—July	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	80,904
1942—June	802	778	842	818	752	812	799	64,643
December	773	736	776	783	726	792	761	61,587
1943—April	708	704	719	740	694	772	712	57,608
May	701	703	710	732	695	772	707	57,221
June	700	700	701	729	694	756	704	56,968
FEMALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.								
Employees—July, 1941	31,840	22,088	8,533	7,184	4,832	2,067	..	76,544
1941—July	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	76,544
1942—June	1026	1014	1005	1036	1060	1042	1024	78,344
December	1032	975	1094	1019	1043	1057	1022	78,266
1943—April	957	933	1019	960	974	977	959	73,401
May	950	943	1018	961	974	979	959	73,379
June	951	937	1019	959	974	988	958	73,310
PERSONS—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.								
Employees—July, 1941	63,708	45,870	19,234	14,462	9,578	4,596	..	157,448
1941—July	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	157,448
1942—June	914	891	914	927	907	915	908	142,987
December	902	851	917	900	886	912	888	139,853
1943—April	833	814	852	849	835	864	832	131,009
May	825	818	847	846	836	865	830	130,600
June	826	814	842	843	835	860	827	130,278

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work).

Period.	Num-ber.	Estab-lish-ments In-volved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti-mated Loss in Wages. £
			Di-rectly.	Indi-rectly.	Total.	New Dis-putes.	Old Dis-putes.	Total.	

Year—1942 ..	552	573	148,203	2,892	151,095	304,124	16,011	320,135	401,613
1942—March Qtr.	114	115	27,734	1,011	28,745	45,949	5,070	51,019	64,437
June ..	168	186	46,645	939	47,584	112,928	..	112,928	129,477
Sept. ..	119	119	34,171	394	34,565	68,315	10,241	78,556	105,485
Dec. ..	151	153	39,653	548	40,201	76,932	700	77,632	102,214
1943—March ..	192	1,677	82,626	473	83,099	231,186	6,576	237,762	300,377

Year—1942 ..	20	26	11,979	140	12,119	34,384	1,274	35,658	31,009
1942—March Qtr.	5	5	484	..	484	3,046	..	3,046	3,493
June ..	4	6	1,603	..	1,603	13,673	..	13,673	8,948
Sept. ..	4	4	540	140	680	4,940	..	4,940	4,943
Dec. ..	7	11	9,352	..	9,352	12,725	1,274	13,999	13,625
1943—March ..	11	814	10,841	29	10,870	12,547	5,376	17,923	17,893

Year—1942 ..	6	6	370	52	422	2,702	..	2,702	2,145
1942—March Qtr.	2	2	133	..	133	995	..	995	715
June ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sept. ..	3	3	208	52	260	1,620	..	1,620	1,322
Dec. ..	1	1	29	..	29	87	..	87	108
1943—March ..	7	9	2,360	2	2,362	14,916	..	14,916	17,092

Year—1942 ..	13	52	3,617	..	3,617	10,494	..	10,494	11,056
1942—March Qtr.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
June ..	6	45	1,685	..	1,685	5,721	..	5,721	5,860
Sept. ..	2	2	847	..	847	598	..	598	601
Dec. ..	5	5	1,085	..	1,085	4,175	..	4,175	4,595
1943—March ..	5	419	846	..	846	4,070	..	4,070	2,739

Year—1942 ..	8	85	1,797	12	1,809	8,855	..	8,855	9,872
1942—March Qtr.
June ..	3	3	991	12	1,003	5,441	..	5,441	5,892
Sept.
Dec. ..	5	82	806	..	806	3,414	..	3,414	3,980
1943—March ..	2	74	249	..	249	747	..	747	879

Year—1942 ..	2	2	51	..	51	51	..	51	45
1942—March Qtr.	1	1	34	..	34	34	..	34	29
June ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sept. ..	1	1	17	..	17	17	..	17	16
Dec. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1943—March ..	1	1	33	142	175	175	..	175	161

Year—1942 (a) ..	602	745	166,167	3,096	169,263	360,910	17,285	378,195	456,090
1942—March (a) Qtr.	123	124	28,535	1,011	29,546	50,324	5,070	55,394	69,024
June ..	181	240	50,924	951	51,875	137,763	..	137,763	150,177
Sept. ..	129	129	35,783	586	36,369	75,490	10,241	85,731	112,367
Dec. ..	169	252	50,925	548	51,473	97,333	1,974	99,307	124,522
1943—March ..	218	2,994	96,955	646	97,601	263,641	17,952	275,593	339,141

(a) Includes one dispute in the Northern Territory—workpeople involved, 150; working days lost, 300; estimated loss in wages, £350.

**Wages.—Adult Males—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and
Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st March, 1943.**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage	123/1	120/6	114/6	115/1	116/9	114/0	119/2
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/9½	2/8½	2/7½	2/7½	2/7½	2/7	2/8½
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	121/4	119/9	116/10	115/5	123/9	118/5	119/9
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.14	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/9	2/8½	2/7½	2/7½	2/9½	2/8½	2/8½
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	118/8	115/9	109/6	114/10	116/0	109/5	115/4
	Working Hours	44.00	44.04	43.44	44.00	44.13	44.00	43.91
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/7½	2/6½	2/7½	2/7½	2/5½	2/7½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	115/10	116/11	121/8	121/8	117/2	113/2	117/3
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/7½	2/8	2/9½	2/9½	2/8	2/6½	2/8
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage	134/2	135/1	122/3	127/1	143/4	125/6	132/8
	Working Hours	43.49	42.16	43.18	43.56	42.76	43.35	42.96
	Hourly Wage	3/1	3/2½	2/10	2/11	3/4½	2/10½	3/1
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	119/4	117/3	111/4	115/0	117/1	115/4	117/4
	Working Hours	43.89	43.90	43.78	43.79	44.08	43.91	43.88
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/8	2/6½	2/7½	2/7½	2/7½	2/8
VII. Building ..	Weekly Wage	131/0	132/9	117/2	119/0	124/9	121/9	128/1
	Working Hours	43.65	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.42
	Hourly Wage	3/0	3/0½	2/11½	2/8½	2/10	2/9½	2/11½
VIII. Mining (c) ..	Weekly Wage	126/7	118/4	126/10	94/0	133/11	114/5	124/6
	Working Hours	40.61	40.67	41.87	43.79	40.54	41.33	40.96
	Hourly Wage	3/1½	2/11	3/0½	2/1½	3/3½	2/9½	3/0½
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	121/11	123/4	115/2	114/11	115/9	112/9	119/11
	Working Hours	43.80	43.85	44.00	44.00	43.75	44.00	43.86
	Hourly Wage	2/9½	2/9½	2/7½	2/7½	2/7½	2/6½	2/8½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	113/6	111/5	105/3	106/8	115/2	105/9	111/1
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/7	2/6½	2/4½	2/5	2/7½	2/4½	2/6½
XI. Shipping, &c.	Weekly Wage ^d	121/11	123/0	119/7	120/11	121/7	121/3	121/7
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage ^e	117/9	118/3	102/10	115/2	108/5	104/1	113/7
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage ^e	110/0	112/1	100/1	102/8	105/11	103/0	108/2
	Working Hours	44.00	44.33	44.00	44.00	44.80	44.00	44.17
	Hourly Wage ^e	2/6	2/6½	2/3½	2/4	2/4½	2/4	2/5½
XIV. Miscellaneous	Weekly Wage	115/4	114/8	105/5	107/6	112/2	105/4	112/7
	Working Hours	44.00	44.67	44.00	44.65	44.00	43.93	44.26
	Hourly Wage	2/7½	2/6½	2/4½	2/5	2/6½	2/4½	2/6½
All Groups (a) ..	Weekly Wage	119/9	118/8	110/3	112/9	118/5	109/8	117/0
All Groups except XI. and XII.(a) ..	Weekly Wage	120/1	118/7	112/6	111/6	120/3	111/5	117/8
	Working Hours	43.52	43.94	43.32	44.22	43.11	43.44	43.64
	Hourly Wage	2/9	2/8½	2/7½	2/6½	2/9½	2/6½	2/8½

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Excludes District allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(c) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.

(d) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied.

(e) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

Wages.—Adult Females—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st March, 1943.

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
III. Food, Drink, &c. ...	Weekly Wage	59/10	62/8	53/6	55/0	53/4	63/3	60/4
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/5	1/2½	1/3	1/2½	1/5½	1/4½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c. ...	Weekly Wage	63/8	63/11	66/0	66/0	61/11	63/6	64/1
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/5½	1/5½	1/6	1/6	1/5	1/5½	1/5½
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing ...	Weekly Wage	62/2	69/2	58/11	60/5	..	58/6	65/2
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	..	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/5	1/6½	1/4	1/4½	..	1/4	1/5½
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. ...	Weekly Wage <i>b</i>	62/2	69/3	62/1	53/0	68/0	57/11	63/10
	Working Hours	43.38	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.78
	Hourly Wage <i>b</i>	1/5½	1/7	1/5	1/2½	1/6½	1/3½	1/5½
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c. ...	Weekly Wage	73/3	65/2	75/5	55/8	..	..	68/9
	Working Hours	44.00	45.00	44.00	44.00	..	..	44.36
	Hourly Wage	1/8	1/5½	1/8½	1/3½	..	..	1/6½
All Groups (a) ...	Weekly Wage	65/4	65/3	66/5	60/3	64/9	61/8	64/11
	Working Hours	43.88	44.19	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.03
	Hourly Wage	1/5½	1/5½	1/6	1/4½	1/5½	1/4½	1/5½

(a) Weighted average. (b) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging where supplied.

Wages.—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 1914 to 31st March, 1943.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
31st December, 1914	56	2	54	7	53	5	54	5	62	10	52	8	55	7
" " 1938	95	0	91	2	95	10	87	1	99	1	88	5	93	5
" " 1939	96	7	94	0	97	5	88	11	100	6	89	5	95	3
" " 1940	99	7	97	0	97	9	92	11	104	0	92	7	98	1
" " 1941	105	4	104	5	101	9	100	3	110	2	99	3	104	3
30th June, 1942	111	3	109	4	106	2	103	5	110	11	104	1	109	0
30th September, 1942	114	0	112	6	108	6	105	8	114	9	106	9	111	10
31st December, 1942	118	3	116	7	110	2	112	3	117	7	108	2	115	8
31st March, 1943	119	9	118	8	110	3	112	9	118	5	109	8	117	0

ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. (a) IN 1911 = 1,000.)

	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1914	1,854	1,780	1,870	1,700	1,933	1,725	1,823
" " 1938	1,885	1,825	1,900	1,735	1,962	1,745	1,858
" " 1939	1,943	1,892	1,908	1,812	2,029	1,807	1,913
" " 1940	2,056	2,037	1,985	1,957	2,149	1,937	2,034
" " 1941	2,171	2,133	2,072	2,018	2,164	2,031	2,127
30th June, 1942	2,224	2,194	2,117	2,061	2,239	2,084	2,182
30th September, 1942	2,308	2,275	2,150	2,189	2,294	2,111	2,257
31st December, 1942	2,336	2,315	2,151	2,201	2,311	2,140	2,283
31st March, 1943							

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
31st December, 1914	26	10	27	9	27	1	24	1	37	4	25	10	27	5
" " 1938	51	10	50	7	53	6	47	9	54	4	49	8	51	4
" " 1939	53	3	51	9	55	2	49	7	55	8	50	8	52	8
" " 1940	54	9	53	5	56	0	52	1	57	6	53	1	54	3
" " 1941	57	11	58	4	59	6	55	5	60	4	56	7	58	2
30th June, 1942	60	10	61	2	62	3	57	5	60	4	58	10	60	10
30th September, 1942	61	7	62	2	62	8	57	7	62	7	59	10	61	7
31st December, 1942	63	10	64	11	66	4	60	3	64	2	61	3	64	4
31st March, 1943	65	4	65	3	66	5	60	3	64	9	61	8	64	11

ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (a) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000.)

	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
31st December, 1914	1,907	1,862	1,969	1,758	2,000	1,823	1,887
" " 1938	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,826	2,049	1,866	1,938
" " 1939	2,016	1,966	2,060	1,916	2,116	1,954	1,996
" " 1940	2,133	2,148	2,191	2,038	2,220	2,082	2,141
" " 1941	2,238	2,252	2,290	2,114	2,220	2,166	2,238
30th June, 1942	2,266	2,287	2,305	2,121	2,303	2,202	2,268
30th September, 1942	2,350	2,391	2,442	2,216	2,361	2,255	2,368
31st December, 1942	2,404	2,403	2,444	2,218	2,383	2,269	2,391
31st March, 1943							

(a) Weighted average for Australia.

Basic Weekly Wage Rates by State Industrial Tribunals.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>		
New South Wales ..	(a) 5 0 0	(a) 2 14 0	1.8.43	(b)
Victoria(c) ..	(4.19.0)	(2.13.6)	(1.8.43)	(c)
Queensland ..	(d) 4 17 0	2 14 6	2.8.43	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	4 14 0	2 6 2	15.10.42	" " " "
Western Australia(e)	5 1 1	2 14 7	1.8.43	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania(c) ..	(4.15.0)	(2.11.6)	(1.8.43)	(c)

(a) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong; Broken Hill—Males, £5 2s. 0d.; Females, £2 15s. 0d.; Elsewhere—Males, £4 17s. 0d.; Females, £2 12s. 6d. (b) Commonwealth Basic Wage operative—no defined family unit. (c) None declared, but rates shown are those of Commonwealth Court which are followed to a large extent. No defined family unit. (d) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions:—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western, 7s. 4d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (e) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage from 1.8.43 for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State exclusive of the S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 7s. 10d.; Females, £2 18s. 3d.; and for Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 0s. 3d.; Females, £2 14s. 2d.

Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City.(a)

Capital.	1st August, 1942.	1st November, 1942.	1st February, 1943.	1st May, 1943.	1st August, 1943.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Sydney	95 0	97 0	98 0	98 0	100 0
Melbourne	94 0	97 0	98 0	98 0	99 0
Brisbane	89 0	91 0	91 0	92 0	94 0
Adelaide	91 0	93 0	93 0	93 0	94 0
Perth	89 0	91 0	92 0	92 0	94 0
Hobart	91 0	92 0	94 0	94 0	95 0
Weighted Average— Six Capitals ..	93 0	95 0	96 0	96 0	98 0

NOTE.—Female rate generally 54 per cent. of male rate.

(a) "Court" Series Index-numbers—Commonwealth Court's Judgment of 23rd June, 1937. Includes "prosperity loadings" granted by Judgment. No defined family unit.

Awards of Industrial Courts and Wages Board Determinations Made and Industrial Agreements Filed.

State.	1937.		1938.		1939.		1940.		1941.	
	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.
New South Wales ..	63	42	64	38	64	17	70	22	65	49
Victoria	121	..	99	..	173	..	170	..	262	..
Queensland	46	42	38	38	50	25	34	45	45	14
South Australia ..	42	16	6	4	18	7	53	7	167	8
Western Australia ..	35	32	28	31	20	25	31	21	22	19
Tasmania	43	..	26	..	18	..	18	..	28	..
Commonwealth Court ..	38	11	31	13	31	21	25	13	7	3
Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator ..	3	..	3	..	1	..	1	..	5	..
Total	391	143	295	124	375	95	402	108	601	93

Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Note.—The index-numbers on this and the next three pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capitals are made equal to 1,000. In the combined tables the rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only is taken into account.

The "B" Series represents the Food and Housing portion of the "All Items" ("C" Series) Index published on page 60.

Retail Price Index-Numbers.(a)—Capital Cities.

("B" Series.)

(Base in each Section: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1911.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1942.			1943.	
							June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.

GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

Sydney	553	904	936	952	962	1,040	1,034	1,061	1,060	1,050	1,065
Melbourne	523	884	942	947	943	1,042	1,036	1,074	1,069	1,055	1,073
Brisbane	569	838	864	889	911	972	958	985	977	983	998
Adelaide	570	861	897	900	905	1,012	1,014	1,049	1,027	1,000	1,022
Perth	753	899	938	949	981	1,029	1,028	1,049	1,048	1,050	1,080
Hobart	592	880	923	944	970	1,047	1,036	1,059	1,082	1,051	1,065
Weighted Average ..	559	886	927	939	947	1,031	1,025	1,055	1,051	1,040	1,058

GROUP IV.—HOUSING (b)—4 AND 5 ROOMS.

Sydney	701	1,004	1,035	1,042	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,042	1,042	1,042	1,042
Melbourne	569	935	955	969	975	975	975	974	974	974	974
Brisbane	373	841	854	857	860	862	862	862	862	862	862
Adelaide	706	868	888	892	893	893	893	893	893	893	893
Perth	524	872	881	882	883	885	885	885	885	885	885
Hobart	452	913	925	933	933	933	933	932	932	932	931
Weighted Average ..	612	942	965	973	976	976	976	976	976	975	975

ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).

Sydney	606	941	972	985	992	1,039	1,035	1,051	1,051	1,045	1,054
Melbourne	539	902	945	953	953	1,014	1,010	1,032	1,030	1,021	1,032
Brisbane	500	838	858	875	889	927	918	935	930	934	942
Adelaide	618	862	891	895	899	963	964	986	973	956	969
Perth	672	887	914	921	941	971	970	982	982	983	1,001
Hobart	542	891	922	938	953	1,000	994	1,007	1,021	1,003	1,010
Weighted Average ..	578	906	939	950	956	1,007	1,003	1,022	1,019	1,012	1,023

(a) As the price index-number increases, the purchasing power of money diminishes. (b) See note (a) on page 60.

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, and Housing (4 and 5 rooms).
("B" Series.)

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1911.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1942.			1943.	
							June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	606	941	972	985	992	1,039	1,035	1,051	1,051	1,045	1,054
Newcastle	898	934	950	959	1,005	1,007	1,014	1,013	1,003	1,011
Broken Hill	948	970	953	991	1,052	1,060	1,064	1,062	1,038	1,050
Goulburn	908	942	950	957	1,009	1,008	1,017	1,021	1,007	1,021
Bathurst	867	900	908	910	957	959	966	965	954	967
Weighted Average(a)	..	937	969	980	988	1,036	1,033	1,047	1,047	1,040	1,050
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	539	902	945	953	953	1,014	1,010	1,032	1,030	1,021	1,032
Ballarat	808	849	843	841	894	887	913	909	903	919
Bendigo	817	851	864	868	920	916	931	929	921	933
Geelong	872	917	915	912	956	952	971	968	959	975
Warrnambool	898	940	944	941	984	976	992	1,000	996	1,006
Weighted Average(a)	..	895	938	946	946	1,005	1,001	1,023	1,021	1,012	1,023
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	500	838	858	875	889	927	918	935	930	934	942
Toowoomba	806	830	849	857	913	912	919	910	923	936
Rockhampton	825	843	854	863	901	900	898	900	901	918
Townsville	900	920	925	933	974	977	979	978	974	979
Bundaberg	781	804	817	835	878	878	879	880	889	902
Weighted Average(a)	..	837	858	873	886	926	919	932	928	932	941
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	618	862	891	895	899	963	964	986	973	956	969
Kadina, &c.	702	743	739	738	789	787	807	803	782	794
Port Pirie	838	882	877	889	943	938	958	955	934	946
Mount Gambier	801	838	828	832	879	872	891	898	876	882
Peterborough	836	890	895	893	936	934	951	948	928	938
Weighted Average(a)	..	855	885	888	892	955	956	977	965	948	961
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c.	672	887	914	921	941	971	970	982	982	983	1,001
Kalgoorlie, &c.	1,152	1,178	1,184	1,211	1,160	1,170	1,157	1,138	1,121	1,133
Northam	911	936	946	980	1,005	1,009	1,010	1,011	1,001	1,013
Bunbury	945	979	979	996	1,011	1,013	1,015	1,014	1,012	1,023
Geraldton	974	990	995	1,024	1,048	1,048	1,057	1,052	1,044	1,073
Weighted Average(a)	..	909	936	943	964	988	988	998	996	995	1,013
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	542	891	922	938	953	1,000	994	1,007	1,021	1,003	1,010
Launceston	867	887	901	913	948	947	951	962	948	955
Burnie	881	898	914	937	973	964	986	993	986	1,008
Devonport	846	865	882	898	928	926	934	943	935	943
Queenstown	900	933	942	947	970	963	980	987	997	1,008
Weighted Average(a)	..	882	908	923	937	978	974	984	997	982	990
Weighted Average for 30 towns	902	935	945	952	1,001	998	1,015	1,013	1,006	1,017
Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities	578	906	939	950	956	1,007	1,003	1,022	1,019	1,012	1,023
Warwick (Q.) (c)	732	783	799	817	856	855	863	857	864	882
Port Augusta (c)	831	864	878	896	932	936	938	934	917	925
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) (c)	1,043	1,026	1,028	1,028	1,078	1,070	1,093	1,095	1,078	1,086

(a) Weighted Average for the five towns. (b) New series from 1938. The drop in 1938 was due to revision of sample of houses used for the calculation of average rentals in order to make it more comparable with that of the capital cities and other large towns throughout Australia. To secure comparison with "B" Series index-numbers for Canberra for periods prior to the September quarter 1938, the new series index-numbers should be multiplied by 1.090. (c) Not included in weighted averages above.

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—COST OF FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

	1914.	1942.				1943.			Per- cent- age in- crease from July, 1914, to June, 1943.
State and Town.	July.	Apr.	May.	June.	Apr.	May.	June.		
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney	645	1,035	1,031	1,035	1,067	1,064	1,065	65.1	
Newcastle	642	1,075	1,071	1,074	1,086	1,084	1,087	69.3	
Broken Hill	821	1,253	1,255	1,260	1,241	1,245	1,250	52.3	
Goulburn	661	1,093	1,093	1,094	1,112	1,116	1,116	68.8	
Bathurst	613	1,036	1,036	1,035	1,048	1,051	1,051	71.5	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	652	1,043	1,039	1,043	1,072	1,070	1,070	64.1	
VICTORIA—									
Melbourne	619	1,018	1,026	1,063	1,073	1,072	1,074	73.5	
Ballarat	617	995	992	1,024	1,047	1,060	1,064	72.4	
Bendigo	619	1,028	1,027	1,040	1,056	1,058	1,060	71.2	
Geelong	609	984	987	1,014	1,027	1,040	1,038	70.4	
Warrnambool	608	1,005	1,001	1,012	1,055	1,056	1,059	74.2	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	618	1,016	1,023	1,059	1,070	1,070	1,072	73.5	
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane	591	972	947	955	995	998	999	69.0	
Toowoomba	582	963	941	947	985	992	990	70.1	
Rockhampton	646	998	987	981	1,018	1,019	1,018	57.6	
Townsville .. .. .	..	1,049	1,055	1,054	1,056	1,053	1,059	..
Bundaberg .. .. .	..	1,039	1,024	1,017	1,057	1,056	1,054	..
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	605	980	959	965	1,002	1,005	1,005	66.1	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide	699	1,008	1,013	1,022	1,021	1,023	1,022	46.2	
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..	688	1,043	1,042	1,069	1,060	1,063	1,063	54.5	
Port Pirie	722	1,081	1,086	1,089	1,097	1,099	1,099	52.2	
Mount Gambier	595	971	975	982	990	990	1,000	68.1	
Peterborough	749	1,043	1,046	1,073	1,055	1,060	1,062	41.8	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	697	1,011	1,016	1,026	1,025	1,027	1,026	47.2	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—									
Perth and Fremantle	749	1,016	1,028	1,041	1,073	1,081	1,085	44.9	
Kalgoorlie and Boulder	931	1,164	1,170	1,179	1,187	1,194	1,206	29.5	
Northam .. .. .	..	1,078	1,086	1,089	1,086	1,088	1,097	..
Bunbury	793	1,030	1,036	1,044	1,058	1,060	1,065	34.3	
Geraldton	808	1,031	1,052	1,051	1,047	1,098	1,115	38.0	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	790	1,029	1,040	1,052	1,081	1,090	1,094	38.5	
TASMANIA—									
Hobart	678	1,029	1,037	1,043	1,062	1,067	1,066	57.2	
Launceston	640	1,000	1,004	1,014	1,016	1,023	1,022	59.7	
Burnie .. .. .	..	1,028	1,038	1,054	1,109	1,113	1,115	..
Devonport .. .. .	..	1,029	1,032	1,029	1,049	1,055	1,070	..
Queenstown	735	1,059	1,066	1,070	1,138	1,143	1,144	55.6	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	672	1,021	1,027	1,035	1,051	1,057	1,057	57.3	
Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..	651	1,023	1,023	1,038	1,059	1,059	1,061	63.0	
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities ..	645	1,019	1,019	1,036	1,058	1,057	1,059	64.2	
(a) Lithgow (N) .. .. .	..	1,066	1,066	1,067	1,089	1,090	1,091	..
(a) Yallourn (V.) .. .. .	..	1,019	1,023	1,040	1,072	1,072	1,059	..
(a) Warwick (Q.)	605	970	960	956	978	986	984	62.6	
(a) Port Augusta (S.A.) .. .. .	..	1,094	1,101	1,098	1,077	1,081	1,082	..
(a) Rosebery (T.) .. .. .	..	1,117	1,124	1,122	1,165	1,167	1,169	..
(a) Canberra (A.C.T.) .. .. .	..	1,130	1,127	1,128	1,155	1,152	1,154	..

(a) Not included in weighted averages above.

THE "ALL ITEMS" INDEX.

("C" Series.)

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 rooms) (a), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1942.			1943.	
							June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney ..	889	913	936	974	1,028	1,107	1,096	1,122	1,138	1,141	1,165
Newcastle ..	849	877	901	945	997	1,069	1,060	1,079	1,098	1,101	1,126
Broken Hill ..	893	940	955	981	1,049	1,132	1,132	1,144	1,159	1,148	1,185
Goulburn ..	867	893	916	949	1,005	1,087	1,073	1,103	1,118	1,116	1,140
Bathurst ..	842	860	883	923	974	1,050	1,043	1,060	1,080	1,080	1,107
Weighted Average(b)	886	911	933	972	1,026	1,104	1,094	1,118	1,135	1,137	1,162
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne ..	868	896	924	964	1,008	1,100	1,089	1,118	1,136	1,136	1,153
Ballarat ..	839	850	874	906	950	1,037	1,026	1,054	1,070	1,074	1,099
Bendigo ..	840	854	875	920	963	1,054	1,046	1,069	1,082	1,088	1,104
Geelong ..	855	884	911	941	984	1,065	1,052	1,083	1,098	1,099	1,125
Warrnambool ..	856	892	918	954	998	1,078	1,066	1,093	1,116	1,121	1,141
Weighted Average(b)	866	893	920	960	1,004	1,095	1,085	1,113	1,130	1,131	1,149
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane ..	837	852	870	908	963	1,033	1,020	1,044	1,055	1,063	1,083
Toowoomba ..	840	843	858	898	951	1,033	1,026	1,043	1,056	1,068	1,089
Rockhampton ..	840	853	867	905	959	1,032	1,023	1,035	1,052	1,059	1,086
Townsville ..	883	902	918	950	1,004	1,075	1,069	1,081	1,098	1,103	1,124
Bundaberg ..	809	831	847	879	938	1,015	1,007	1,021	1,038	1,047	1,068
Weighted Average(b)	840	854	871	909	964	1,035	1,023	1,045	1,057	1,066	1,086
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide ..	859	888	906	936	988	1,075	1,071	1,093	1,100	1,093	1,111
Kadina, &c. ..	769	786	810	833	882	962	956	977	988	983	1,008
Port Pirie ..	844	868	896	919	976	1,057	1,050	1,072	1,086	1,079	1,097
Mount Gambier ..	830	849	872	894	946	1,024	1,013	1,034	1,063	1,051	1,069
Peterborough ..	851	868	897	924	974	1,053	1,048	1,067	1,082	1,078	1,097
Weighted Average(b)	855	883	902	931	983	1,069	1,065	1,087	1,095	1,088	1,106
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c. ..	869	882	901	932	993	1,061	1,054	1,077	1,090	1,092	1,115
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,030	1,048	1,066	1,099	1,165	1,175	1,174	1,178	1,182	1,178	1,202
Northam ..	890	900	915	947	1,017	1,079	1,074	1,089	1,103	1,098	1,122
Bunbury ..	897	914	936	962	1,018	1,065	1,057	1,074	1,088	1,091	1,112
Geraldton ..	970	957	965	990	1,055	1,114	1,106	1,126	1,138	1,138	1,171
Weighted Average(b)	884	897	915	946	1,008	1,070	1,064	1,085	1,097	1,099	1,123
TASMANIA—											
Hobart ..	875	887	908	945	1,001	1,078	1,068	1,089	1,113	1,108	1,118
Launceston ..	856	872	888	926	974	1,040	1,031	1,050	1,072	1,069	1,081
Burnie ..	854	865	879	917	971	1,035	1,024	1,048	1,068	1,073	1,095
Devonport ..	833	848	861	896	951	1,012	1,005	1,019	1,044	1,048	1,060
Queenstown ..	857	875	903	936	987	1,045	1,032	1,057	1,077	1,086	1,098
Weighted Average(b)	866	879	898	936	989	1,060	1,051	1,071	1,094	1,091	1,103
Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..	871	894	917	954	1,006	1,087	1,077	1,102	1,117	1,119	1,140
Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities ..	873	897	920	957	1,008	1,091	1,081	1,106	1,122	1,123	1,143
Warwick (Q.)(c) ..	779	800	834	867	926	1,007	1,000	1,017	1,029	1,040	1,064
Port Augusta (S.A.)(c) ..	845	863	883	915	980	1,052	1,045	1,065	1,079	1,073	1,085
Canberra (c) ..	..	..	956	988	1,040	1,121	1,109	1,137	1,158	1,158	1,184

(a) Owing to the revisions resulting from the 1936 conference of Statisticians, certain slight breaks of continuity appear after the June, 1936, quarter in the group index-numbers for Rent for certain towns. The revision of the whole system has been so arranged, however, that this break does not extend to the group index-numbers for the Six Capital Cities, or to the index-numbers for all groups combined for individual towns.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.

(b) Five Towns.

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1943 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1943.**

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 5.84	d. 5.84	d. 5.84	d. 6.00	d. 6.00	d. 6.00	d. 7.00	d. 7.00	d. 7.00	d. 6.00	d. 6.25	d. 6.25	d. 6.00	d. 6.00	d. 6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.95	4.95	5.00	4.79	4.79	4.79	5.29	5.29	5.29	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	8.20	8.20	8.20	8.57	8.64	8.64	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.30	9.40	9.40
Tea ..	lb.	41.05	41.05	41.05	41.21	41.21	41.21	41.93	41.93	41.86	41.50	41.50	41.50	41.20	41.20	41.30
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.36	4.36	4.36	4.90	4.90	4.90	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian)(a) ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.64	4.64	4.64	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago(a) ..	"	6.63	6.63	6.63	7.13	7.13	7.13	8.80	8.80	8.80	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.25	7.25	7.25
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	12.60	12.60	12.60	13.07	13.07	13.21	12.29	12.64	12.93	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.50	13.70	13.70
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.14	8.14	8.14	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.38	8.38	8.20	7.90	7.90	7.90
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.53	3.50	3.45	3.80	3.80	3.75	4.46	4.39	4.39	3.88	3.88	3.85	4.25	4.25	4.25
Raisins, seeded(a) ..	"	11.71	11.71	11.80	11.50	11.50	12.00	12.21	12.21	12.29	11.63	11.63	12.25	12.13	12.38	12.38
Currants ..	"	10.44	10.70	10.65	10.60	10.70	10.80	11.43	11.29	11.36	10.67	10.67	10.50	9.80	9.80	9.80
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.75	17.75	17.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
Peaches, canned(a) ..	30 oz.	13.13	13.13	13.13	13.60	13.60	13.60	15.40	15.40	15.40	13.67	13.67	13.67	13.90	13.90	13.90
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	13.75	13.75	13.75	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.40	15.40	15.40	14.75	14.75	14.75	14.63	14.63	14.63
Salmon, in tins(a) ..	lb.	22.33	22.33	22.33	22.50	22.50	22.50	20.83	20.83	20.83	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	16.48	16.33	16.28	16.93	16.59	16.33	15.75	15.75	16.93	16.45	16.58	16.50	15.81	15.81	15.66
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.21	3.21	3.21	3.00	3.07	3.07	3.58	3.57	3.57	2.75	3.00	3.00	3.40	3.40	3.40
Soap ..	"	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.94	6.94	6.94	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.15	7.15	7.20	7.43	7.43	7.43
Kerosene ..	quart	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.36	6.36	6.36	7.59	7.59	7.59	7.38	7.38	7.35	7.10	7.28	7.33
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.50	20.50	20.50	22.64	22.64	22.64	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.70	20.70	20.70
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.40	17.40	17.40	15.93	15.93	15.93	18.50	18.50	18.50	16.88	16.88	16.70	17.80	17.80	17.80
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	27.40	27.45	27.45	27.43	27.43	27.43	33.14	36.43	37.86	27.75	27.75	27.75	27.40	25.20	25.20
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	21.05	21.05	21.05	21.36	21.36	21.36	22.00	22.00	22.00	21.75	21.75	21.60	20.50	20.50	20.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.55	9.60	9.65	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.57	10.57	10.57	10.88	10.88	10.80	10.40	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.50	7.50
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.80	12.85	12.85	13.71	13.71	13.71	15.00	15.00	15.00	13.40	13.00	13.00	10.60	10.60	10.60
" rib ..	"	9.25	9.20	9.20	9.64	9.64	9.71	12.57	12.57	12.57	10.80	10.80	10.60	8.40	8.20	8.20
" steak, rump ..	"	22.00	22.00	22.00	17.71	17.71	17.71	22.00	22.00	22.00	17.80	17.80	17.80	15.60	15.60	15.60
" chuck ..	"	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.57	9.57	9.93	13.14	13.14	13.14	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.60	8.40	8.40
" sausages ..	"	7.95	7.95	7.95	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.40	8.40	8.60	8.20	8.20	8.20
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	10.25	9.90	9.95	10.57	10.29	10.21	15.00	15.00	15.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	9.60	9.40	9.40
" " brisket ..	"	7.65	7.30	7.30	8.71	8.29	8.07	13.00	13.00	13.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	8.00	8.00	8.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.90	7.80	7.90	10.07	10.07	10.21	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.60	9.60	9.60	8.60	8.60	8.60
" forequarter ..	"	4.55	4.45	4.60	5.21	5.21	5.29	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.10	5.90	6.20	4.90	4.90	4.90
" loin ..	"	9.65	9.60	9.60	9.93	9.93	9.93	8.14	8.43	8.43	10.20	10.20	10.20	8.80	8.60	8.60
" chops, loin ..	"	10.65	10.65	10.65	10.21	10.21	10.50	11.57	11.57	11.57	10.80	10.80	10.80	9.40	9.40	9.40
" " leg ..	"	9.85	9.85	9.85	10.43	10.43	10.43	11.29	11.29	11.29	10.20	10.60	10.40	8.80	8.80	8.80
Pork, leg ..	"	17.00	17.10	16.90	17.71	17.86	18.00	14.29	14.29	14.29	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.00	15.00	15.00
" loin ..	"	18.00	18.00	17.60	17.71	17.86	18.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	16.20	16.20	16.20	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chops ..	"	18.10	18.30	18.20	17.71	17.86	18.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.40	16.20	16.20	15.00	15.00	15.00
House Rents ..																
4 and 5 Rooms ..	..	..	280.98	..	..	243.26	..	..	189.49	..	..	221.88	..	..	212.28	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1943; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1943.

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RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.55	5.55	5.55	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.30	6.30	6.30
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.60	4.60	4.60
" self-raising ..	"	7.40	7.40	7.40	8.29	8.29	8.29	8.43	8.43	8.43	7.80	7.80	7.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
Tea ..	lb.	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.14	41.14	41.14	41.64	41.71	41.71	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.40	41.40	41.40
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.27	4.27	4.29	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	3.60	3.60	3.60	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.80	3.80	3.80
Sago (a) ..	"	6.88	6.88	6.88	7.17	7.17	7.17	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.75	6.75	6.75
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.05	11.05	11.15	11.50	11.36	17.36	10.93	10.93	11.00	11.90	11.90	11.90	12.10	12.10	12.10
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.35	7.45	7.55	7.86	7.86	7.86	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.80	7.80	7.80
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.31	3.36	3.28	3.61	3.61	3.64	3.82	3.82	3.82	3.35	3.30	3.20	3.80	3.80	3.80
Raisins, seeded (a)	"	11.94	11.83	12.06	12.29	12.29	12.29	12.38	12.38	12.33	11.50	11.50	11.80	12.10	12.10	12.25
Currants ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.14	10.17	10.29	10.29	10.07	10.07	10.07	10.20	10.30	10.30	10.10	10.10	10.20
Apricots, dried (a)	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	12.63	12.63	12.63	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.90	12.90	12.90	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.75	12.75	12.75
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	13.56	13.56	13.56	13.43	13.43	13.43	12.80	13.80	13.80	12.75	12.75	12.75	13.30	13.30	13.30
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	20.67	20.67	20.67	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.38	21.38	21.38
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	13.59	13.14	13.14	13.32	12.83	13.21	13.97	13.97	13.89	13.68	13.68	13.57	13.20	13.20	14.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.63	2.63	2.63	2.67	2.64	2.64	2.71	2.64	2.57	2.60	2.60	2.60	3.00	3.20	3.00
Soap ..	"	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.49	7.49	7.49	7.31	7.31	7.31	7.72	7.72	7.72
Kerosene ..	quart	6.45	6.49	6.49	6.93	6.93	6.93	6.98	6.98	6.88	6.35	6.35	6.35	7.35	7.35	7.35
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.36	20.50	20.50	20.86	20.86	20.86	20.30	20.30	20.30	20.80	20.80	20.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	15.50	15.60	15.83	15.00	15.00	15.29	16.00	16.07	16.21	15.10	15.10	15.10	15.40	15.40	15.80
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	27.86	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	24.55	24.55	24.90	23.86	23.86	24.14	23.50	23.43	24.14	23.40	23.60	23.70	24.00	24.00	24.40
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.70	9.70	9.70	10.14	10.14	10.07	10.36	10.36	10.36	9.70	9.90	9.90	10.30	10.30	10.30
" fresh ..	quart	7.35	7.35	7.35	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.14	7.14	7.00	7.10	7.20	7.20	6.25	6.25	6.25
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.70	13.70	13.80	12.71	13.14	13.14	11.43	11.43	11.43	11.60	11.80	11.60	10.80	10.80	10.80
" rib ..	"	11.25	11.25	11.35	10.43	10.71	10.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.60	9.50	9.60	9.60	9.60
" steak, rump ..	"	20.60	20.60	20.60	17.43	18.14	18.14	16.43	16.71	16.71	17.60	17.80	17.80	16.20	16.20	16.20
" chuck ..	"	9.55	9.55	9.65	8.29	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.29	8.60	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
" sausages ..	"	7.35	7.35	7.35	6.57	6.71	7.00	7.29	7.43	7.43	6.90	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	12.10	12.10	11.95	11.71	12.14	12.14	10.36	10.36	10.50	11.00	11.40	11.40	10.60	10.60	10.60
" brisket ..	"	8.85	8.85	8.85	9.29	9.57	9.57	9.07	9.07	9.07	8.25	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
Mutton, leg ..	"	9.30	9.35	9.45	8.93	9.21	9.36	8.71	9.00	9.14	8.00	8.60	8.70	9.50	9.70	9.70
" forequarter ..	"	5.40	5.35	5.50	5.71	5.86	5.86	5.79	5.79	5.79	4.90	5.30	5.20	6.50	6.50	6.50
" loin ..	"	8.35	8.35	8.50	7.00	7.57	8.29	7.58	7.75	8.29	8.40	8.80	8.80	9.00	9.00	9.00
" chops, loin ..	"	10.30	10.30	10.30	8.71	9.29	9.29	9.57	9.57	9.43	9.40	9.80	9.60	10.00	10.00	10.00
" leg ..	"	10.75	10.75	10.80	9.86	10.14	10.14	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.00	9.40	9.40	9.80	9.80	9.80
Pork, leg ..	"	16.40	16.50	16.55	16.29	17.00	17.00	15.75	15.75	15.75	14.80	15.20	15.20	15.60	15.60	15.60
" loin ..	"	17.05	17.05	17.10	16.57	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.40	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.60
" chops ..	"	17.70	17.70	17.75	17.57	18.00	17.86	16.75	17.25	17.25	15.80	16.40	16.40	16.60	16.60	16.60
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	262.67	..	..	178.35	..	..	186.75	..	..	239.56	..	..	234.94	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

**QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1943; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1943.**

Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.75	5.75	5.75
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.71	4.71	4.71	5.71	5.71	5.71	5.40	5.40	5.40	4.60	4.60	4.60
" self-raising ..	"	8.55	8.55	8.59	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.79	9.79	9.79	9.10	9.10	9.20	9.90	9.90	9.90
Tea ..	lb.	40.68	40.73	40.73	41.21	41.21	41.21	41.93	42.00	42.00	41.40	41.40	41.40	40.80	40.80	40.80
Sugar ..	"	3.98	3.98	3.98	4.23	4.23	4.23	4.04	4.04	4.04	4.65	4.65	4.65	3.97	3.97	3.97
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	3.57	3.57	3.57	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago ..	"	6.63	6.63	6.63	7.25	7.25	7.25	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	10.13	10.28	10.28	10.69	11.04	11.10	11.04	11.14	11.20	11.10	11.10	11.10	10.65	11.00	10.85
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.71	7.71	7.71	7.86	7.86	7.86	8.20	8.20	8.20	7.60	7.60	7.60
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.68	3.68	3.68	4.04	4.04	4.04	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.13	4.13	4.13
Raisins, seeded (a)	"	12.01	12.09	12.09	13.40	13.40	13.40	12.43	12.43	12.43	14.00	14.00	15.00	12.63	12.67	13.33
" Currants ..	"	11.00	10.95	10.95	11.07	11.14	11.21	11.21	11.29	11.29	11.30	11.50	11.50	11.10	11.10	11.10
" Apricots, dried (a)	"	17.25	17.25	17.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
" Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	13.89	13.89	13.89	14.90	14.90	14.90	14.90	14.90	14.90	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.30	14.30	14.30
" Pears, canned (a)	"	14.43	14.43	14.43	15.20	15.20	15.20	14.79	14.79	14.79	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.00
" Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	21.33	21.33	21.33	24.63	24.63	24.63	20.50	20.50	20.50	24.00	24.00	24.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
" Potatoes ..	7 lb.	18.25	19.03	18.59	17.07	19.07	18.21	20.57	20.71	20.79	19.70	19.80	21.30	19.80	19.88	18.90
" Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.91	2.95	2.98	2.93	3.00	3.00	3.29	3.29	3.21	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.25	3.15	3.15
" Soap ..	"	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.48	7.48	7.48	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.53	7.53	7.53	7.20	7.20	7.20
" Kerosene ..	quart	5.64	5.66	5.66	6.52	6.52	6.52	7.46	7.36	7.36	7.46	7.46	7.46	6.76	6.76	6.76
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.91	19.91	19.91	19.93	19.93	19.93	20.21	20.21	20.21	21.60	21.60	21.60	19.80	19.80	19.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.91	14.91	14.95	15.21	15.21	15.21	16.14	16.14	16.14	17.60	17.80	17.80	15.30	15.30	15.30
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	26.80	26.82	26.82	26.67	27.29	28.33	31.20	31.00	30.00	29.67	29.67	29.67	28.80	27.80	27.80
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	18.55	18.55	18.55	16.86	17.00	17.07	18.79	18.79	18.79	17.60	17.60	17.60	17.40	17.40	17.40
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.55	9.50	9.50	9.79	9.79	9.79	10.36	10.43	10.43	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" fresh ..	quart	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.86	6.86	6.86	9.00	8.80	8.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.00	12.00	12.00	9.93	10.00	10.00	9.29	9.29	9.29	10.20	10.00	10.00	10.70	10.70	10.70
" rib ..	"	6.70	6.70	6.75	6.79	6.50	6.50	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.20	8.20	8.20
" steak, rump ..	"	16.80	16.90	16.90	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.43	12.43	12.43	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
" chuck ..	"	7.65	7.65	7.70	6.93	6.86	6.79	6.57	6.57	6.57	6.40	6.40	6.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
" sausages ..	"	7.64	7.64	7.64	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.14	7.14	7.14	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.40	8.40	8.40
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	10.50	10.45	10.55	8.86	8.93	9.00	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.40	9.40	9.40
" brisket ..	"	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.71	7.43	7.43	7.14	7.14	7.14	5.80	5.80	5.80	8.40	8.40	8.40
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.95	7.95	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.43	8.43	8.43	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" forequarter ..	"	4.60	4.60	4.75	4.43	4.50	4.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
" loin ..	"	6.95	7.00	7.10	7.86	7.86	7.86	8.43	8.43	8.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" chops, loin ..	"	8.10	8.10	8.15	7.86	7.86	7.86	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" leg ..	"	7.61	7.56	7.67	8.33	8.50	8.50	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.80	8.40	8.40	10.00	10.00	10.00
Pork, leg ..	"	15.90	15.90	15.95	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.29	14.29	14.29	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.60	15.60	15.60
" loin ..	"	15.95	15.90	15.95	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.29	14.29	14.29	12.00	12.00	12.00	15.60	15.60	15.60
" chops ..	"	16.25	16.20	16.20	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.71	14.71	14.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	16.80	16.80	16.80
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	232.47	..	..	216.22	..	..	206.93	..	..	217.65	..	..	167.84	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1943; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1943.

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RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PHIL.			MT. GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.			
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	
Groceries, &c—																	
Bread ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	
" self-raising ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.93	4.93	4.93	5.07	5.07	5.07	5.10	5.10	5.10	5.00	5.00	5.00	
Tea ..	lb.	7.15	7.15	7.15	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.63	8.63	8.63	
Sugar ..	"	40.95	40.95	40.95	41.82	41.82	41.82	41.50	41.50	41.57	41.90	41.90	41.90	42.25	42.25	42.25	
Rice (Australian) (a)	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.19	4.19	4.19	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.50	4.50	4.50	
Sago (a) ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.63	4.63	4.63	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25	
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	12.55	12.85	12.80	12.50	12.50	12.93	13.70	13.67	13.67	12.20	12.40	12.90	13.13	14.00	13.63	
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	6.95	6.95	6.95	8.43	8.36	8.36	8.83	8.86	8.86	8.20	8.30	8.60	8.50	8.63	8.63	
Raisins, seeded ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.90	3.90	3.90	4.21	4.21	4.21	3.81	3.81	3.81	4.00	4.00	4.00	
Currants ..	"	11.20	11.30	11.35	12.29	12.29	12.29	12.83	12.98	12.98	12.60	12.60	12.60	12.50	12.75	13.00	
Apricots, dried (a)	"	9.56	9.56	9.56	10.29	10.43	10.43	10.57	10.71	10.75	10.50	10.50	10.60	10.75	10.88	10.88	
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	17.38	17.38	17.38	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.67	16.67	16.67	17.67	17.67	17.67	18.00	18.00	18.00	
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	13.42	13.42	13.42	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.83	15.83	15.83	13.33	13.33	13.33	15.00	15.00	15.00	
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	13.30	13.30	13.30	14.75	14.75	14.75	15.50	15.50	15.50	13.75	13.75	13.75	14.67	14.67	14.67	
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	20.80	20.80	20.80	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	
Onions, brown(a) ..	lb.	12.07	12.58	12.50	14.75	15.25	15.00	14.57	14.43	14.43	9.91	9.93	11.13	14.25	15.00	15.00	
Soap ..	"	2.80	2.92	2.92	3.67	4.00	4.00	3.36	2.50	3.50	2.25	2.63	2.63	3.25	3.25	3.25	
Kerosene ..	quart	7.36	7.36	7.36	7.86	7.76	7.76	7.43	7.43	7.38	7.53	7.53	7.53	7.67	7.75	7.75	
		5.64	5.64	5.64	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.61	6.61	6.61	6.23	6.23	6.23	6.44	6.44	6.44	
Dairy Produce—																	
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.86	21.86	21.86	20.86	20.86	20.86	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.88	20.88	20.88	
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.50	14.50	14.61	16.29	16.29	16.14	16.86	16.86	16.86	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	27.70	27.75	27.75	21.67	22.00	22.00	23.86	24.17	24.17	21.40	21.33	25.00	22.75	23.00	24.25	
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	19.85	19.85	19.75	19.71	20.14	20.14	20.71	21.71	21.71	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.50	21.88	21.88	
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.25	9.25	9.25	10.29	10.21	10.21	10.21	10.21	10.21	10.30	10.30	10.30	9.75	9.75	9.75	
" fresh ..	quart	6.50	6.50	6.50	7.14	7.14	7.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	
Meat—																	
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.29	11.29	11.29	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	8.33	8.33	8.33	
" rib ..	"	9.85	9.85	9.65	10.43	10.43	10.43	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.80	9.60	9.60	8.33	8.33	8.33	
" steak, rump ..	"	16.40	16.40	16.40	15.14	15.00	15.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	14.80	14.80	14.80	15.00	15.00	15.00	
" chuck ..	"	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.43	10.43	10.43	12.00	12.00	12.00	7.40	7.40	7.40	9.00	9.00	9.00	
" sausages ..	"	6.89	7.00	7.00	7.14	7.29	7.29	8.00	8.00	8.00	5.80	5.80	5.80	5.67	6.00	6.33	
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.80	11.75	11.75	11.86	11.86	11.86	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.60	10.60	10.80	11.33	11.33	11.33	
" brisket ..	"	8.45	8.40	8.40	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.20	8.20	8.40	9.33	9.33	9.33	
Mutton, leg ..	"	9.35	9.35	9.35	8.79	8.79	8.79	9.86	9.86	9.86	7.70	7.70	7.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	
" forequarter ..	"	5.20	5.20	5.20	6.14	6.14	6.14	6.86	6.86	6.86	4.90	4.90	4.90	5.33	5.33	5.33	
" loin ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.50	7.86	7.86	8.00	7.86	8.00	8.00	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.67	7.67	7.67	
" chops, loin ..	"	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.14	9.14	9.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	8.40	8.40	8.40	10.00	10.00	10.00	
" leg ..	"	9.90	9.90	10.00	9.43	9.43	9.43	11.00	11.00	11.00	8.20	8.20	8.20	10.00	10.00	10.00	
Pork, leg ..	"	13.60	13.60	13.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.14	13.14	13.14	11.40	11.40	11.60	13.33	13.33	13.33	
" loin ..	"	14.00	14.00	13.80	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.57	12.57	12.57	11.40	11.40	11.60	12.00	12.00	12.00	
" chops ..	"	14.60	14.60	14.50	12.57	12.57	12.57	14.00	14.00	14.00	12.20	12.20	12.40	13.33	13.33	13.33	
House Rents ..																	
4 and 5 Rooms ..	..	240.69	..	..	96.19	..	..	179.48	..	..	179.81	..	..	189.83	..	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1943 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1943.

Article.	Unit.	PERTH AND FREMANTLE.			KALGOORLIE AND BOULDER.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.20	5.20	5.20
" self-raising ..	"	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.14	9.14	9.00	8.00	8.33	8.38	8.13	8.13	8.13	8.93	8.93	8.93
Tea ..	lb.	41.00	41.00	41.00	42.79	42.70	42.79	41.50	41.50	41.63	41.38	41.38	41.38	41.60	41.60	41.70
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.96	4.96	4.96	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) (a)	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.17	5.17	5.17	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Sago (a) ..	"	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.65	11.65	11.45	12.71	12.71	12.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.75	11.75	12.80	13.60	13.60
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.90	7.83	7.86	10.75	11.38	11.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	8.50	9.00	9.00
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	4.08	4.11	4.08	4.38	4.38	4.38	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.13	4.13	4.30	4.30	4.30
Raisins, seeded (a)	"	11.88	11.88	11.88	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.33	12.33	13.00	12.00	12.00	13.00
Currants ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.19	11.43	11.43	11.29	10.38	10.38	10.38	10.63	10.63	10.63	10.80	11.00	11.00
Apricots, dried (a)	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.06	19.06	19.06	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	14.29	14.29	14.29	16.80	16.80	16.80	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.83	15.83	15.83
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	15.10	15.10	15.10	17.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	19.25	16.25	16.25
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	24.67	24.67	24.67	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	11.45	11.90	12.05	12.50	13.14	13.21	11.50	11.75	12.00	11.38	11.13	11.50	12.80	13.40	13.50
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.55	2.75	3.25	2.64	3.29	3.64	2.75	2.75	3.25	4.17	4.00	3.50	2.70	3.40	3.50
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.00	7.90	7.90	7.50	7.50	7.42	7.58	7.58	7.58	7.47	7.47	7.47
Kerosene ..	quart	6.63	6.63	6.63	8.71	8.68	8.68	6.85	6.85	6.85	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.53	7.58	7.58
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.50	21.50	21.50	24.14	24.14	24.21	23.50	23.00	22.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	22.50	22.50	22.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.65	17.85	17.85	18.20	18.29	18.64	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.75	17.75	17.75	18.20	18.40	18.40
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	29.90	31.10	31.10	31.25	34.17	34.80	28.00	30.67	30.75	28.50	30.75	31.00	28.00	33.20	33.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	18.10	18.10	18.10	19.00	19.14	19.14	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.25	18.00	18.00	18.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	9.63	9.63	9.63	10.13	10.00	10.00	10.80	10.80	10.80
" fresh ..	quart	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.10	12.35	12.45	11.86	11.86	12.50	11.25	11.25	11.75	12.00	12.00	12.20	10.33	12.00	12.50
" rib ..	"	10.15	10.65	10.85	10.86	10.86	11.50	10.75	10.75	11.25	10.00	10.00	10.20	9.33	11.00	11.50
" steak, rump ..	"	18.20	18.45	18.45	17.86	17.86	18.07	18.00	18.00	18.50	18.00	18.00	18.20	15.00	17.33	18.50
" chuck ..	"	10.70	10.95	10.95	11.86	11.86	12.07	11.25	11.50	12.00	10.80	10.80	11.00	9.00	10.00	10.50
" sausages ..	"	8.60	8.70	8.70	9.86	9.86	10.64	8.33	8.33	8.33	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	10.70	10.95	11.05	12.00	12.00	12.36	11.25	11.25	11.75	10.00	10.00	10.20	10.00	11.00	11.50
" brisket ..	"	8.35	8.80	8.80	8.43	8.43	9.29	8.75	8.75	9.25	8.00	8.00	8.20	9.00	9.33	9.50
Mutton, leg ..	"	9.80	9.70	9.80	10.57	10.57	10.57	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	10.00	10.00
" forequarter ..	"	5.85	5.90	5.95	6.50	6.64	6.64	6.25	6.25	6.38	6.00	6.40	6.40	5.33	6.33	6.50
" loin ..	"	9.60	9.70	9.70	10.14	10.14	10.00	8.75	9.00	8.75	10.00	10.00	10.00	7.67	9.00	9.67
" chops, loin ..	"	10.50	10.40	10.40	10.93	10.93	10.93	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	9.33	10.00
" chops, leg ..	"	10.60	10.60	10.60	10.93	10.93	10.93	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	9.33	10.00
Pork, leg ..	"	14.50	14.40	14.40	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.00	12.20	12.20	12.00	13.33	14.00
" loin ..	"	14.40	14.30	14.30	14.71	14.71	14.71	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.33	14.00
" chops ..	"	14.40	14.30	14.30	15.57	15.57	15.57	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.33	14.00
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	238.66	..	..	261.93	..	..	226.01	..	..	243.96	..	..	266.11	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1943 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1943.**

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Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, ordinary ..	..	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.90	5.90	5.90	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
" self-raising ..	..	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Tea ..	lb.	7.75	7.75	7.65	7.43	7.43	7.29	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.10	8.10	8.10	7.75	7.75	7.75
Sugar ..	..	41.15	41.15	41.15	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00
Rice (Australian)(a) ..	..	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago(a) ..	..	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.17	4.17	4.17	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.17	4.17	4.17
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	7.63	7.63	7.63	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.67	7.67	7.67
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	9.80	9.85	9.60	10.14	10.50	9.07	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.50	10.10	10.10
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	8.35	8.35	8.35	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.20	8.20	8.20	7.80	7.80	7.80	9.50	9.50	9.50
Raisins, seeded ..	..	4.05	4.05	4.05	3.68	3.68	3.68	3.90	3.90	3.90	3.70	3.70	3.70	4.75	4.75	4.75
Currants ..	..	12.10	12.10	12.10	11.43	11.43	11.50	12.10	12.00	12.30	12.10	12.30	12.30	12.67	12.67	12.67
Apricots, dried (a) ..	..	10.56	10.56	10.78	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.50	10.50	10.60	10.40	10.50	10.50	10.88	10.88	10.88
Peaches, canned (a) ..	30 oz.	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.25	16.25	16.25	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.25	18.25	18.25
Pears, canned (a) ..	..	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.17	13.17	13.17	13.17	13.17	13.17	13.67	13.67	13.67	13.50	13.50	13.50
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	lb.	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.20	13.20	13.20	12.83	12.83	12.83	14.33	14.33	14.33	14.00	14.25	14.25
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.17	22.17	22.17	19.83	19.83	19.83
Onions, brown ..	lb.	11.62	11.42	11.51	10.84	10.44	10.69	11.56	11.56	11.86	10.96	11.36	12.50	13.89	13.89	13.82
Soap ..	..	3.20	3.30	3.15	2.93	3.00	3.00	2.80	2.80	2.80	3.20	3.20	3.20	3.38	3.38	3.38
Kerosene ..	quart	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.33	7.33	7.42
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	8.31	8.31	8.37	7.91	7.91	7.92	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.70	7.70	7.70	8.72	8.72	8.72
Cheese, mild ..	..	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.25	20.25	20.25
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	17.56	17.56	17.56	15.64	15.64	15.64	16.90	16.90	16.90	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.33	17.33	17.33
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	27.90	31.00	30.90	26.43	31.00	31.00	25.80	29.00	30.20	23.80	28.50	27.60	27.63	31.77	32.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	20.78	20.78	20.78	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.60	20.60	20.60	19.90	19.90	19.90	20.33	20.33	20.33
" fresh ..	quart	10.00	10.00	10.05	9.93	9.93	9.93	10.20	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.38	10.38	10.38
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.33	7.33	7.33	6.00	6.00	7.00	10.33	10.33	10.33
" rib ..	..	12.20	12.20	12.30	10.57	10.71	10.71	11.25	11.25	11.25	10.33	10.33	10.33	12.00	12.00	12.00
" steak, rump ..	..	10.10	10.20	10.20	8.71	8.71	8.71	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.33	10.33	10.33	11.33	11.33	11.33
" chuck ..	..	18.20	18.20	18.20	14.14	14.29	14.43	14.25	14.25	14.25	12.67	12.67	12.67	15.33	15.33	15.33
" sausages ..	..	9.95	9.95	9.95	7.86	7.86	7.93	9.50	9.75	9.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	11.33	11.33	11.33
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	..	7.50	7.50	7.60	7.14	7.14	7.29	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
" brisket ..	..	11.75	11.75	11.75	10.14	10.14	10.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.33	10.33	10.33	12.00	12.00	12.00
Mutton, leg ..	..	9.65	9.65	9.55	8.50	8.64	8.64	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.33	9.33	11.33	11.33	11.33
" forequarter ..	..	9.85	10.05	10.05	10.36	10.43	10.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" loin ..	..	5.85	5.95	5.95	6.29	6.57	6.57	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33
" chops, loin ..	..	8.70	8.90	8.80	8.64	8.79	8.79	13.00	13.00	13.00	11.67	11.67	11.67	12.00	12.00	12.00
" leg ..	..	10.75	11.15	11.15	11.57	11.57	11.57	14.25	14.25	14.25	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Pork, leg ..	..	11.10	10.20	10.20	11.71	11.71	11.57	14.25	14.25	14.25	11.67	11.67	11.67	12.00	12.00	12.00
" loin ..	..	15.90	15.80	15.60	14.29	14.43	14.43	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.00	13.00	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" chops ..	..	16.00	16.00	15.90	14.29	14.43	14.43	14.25	14.25	14.25	13.33	13.33	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" ..	..	16.60	16.50	16.60	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.25	14.25	14.25	13.00	13.00	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
House Rents .. 4 and 5 Rooms ..																
		..	251.12	..	..	231.68	..	..	213.93	..	..	193.64	..	..	202.55	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

RETAIL PRICES.

Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agri- cultural Pro- duce, &c.	Dairy Pro- duce.	Gro- ceries.	Meat.	Building Ma- terials.	Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,080	1,538
1871..	1,096	1,267	1,236	864	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,220
1881..	1,178	1,115	1,012	936	1,421	..	1,091	1,587	1,121
1891..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1902..	1,007	756	1,192	1,215	945	1,447	837	881	1,051
1903..	923	834	1,209	1,059	936	1,443	875	921	1,049
1904..	821	885	754	876	916	1,427	845	875	899
1905..	772	850	894	980	942	1,209	801	859	910
1906..	882	978	916	972	923	1,110	896	864	948
1907..	1,037	1,017	973	1,020	948	1,294	968	961	1,021
1908..	1,033	901	1,312	1,198	968	1,335	935	891	1,115
1909..	1,014	907	1,000	1,119	978	1,088	911	815	993
1910..	1,004	1,052	969	1,100	999	1,008	996	898	1,002
1911..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1912..	1,021	991	1,370	1,206	1,052	1,357	1,057	978	1,170
1913..	1,046	1,070	1,097	1,054	1,024	1,252	1,128	995	1,088
1914..	1,099	1,032	1,207	1,137	1,021	1,507	1,081	1,253	1,149
1915..	1,284	1,017	1,162	1,530	1,133	2,435	1,275	1,528	1,604
1916..	1,695	1,423	1,208	1,485	1,322	2,515	1,491	1,760	1,604
1917..	2,129	2,008	1,157	1,423	1,343	2,403	1,884	2,171	1,662
1918..	2,416	2,360	1,444	1,454	1,422	2,385	2,686	3,225	1,934
1919..	2,125	2,363	1,985	1,651	1,516	2,348	2,851	2,898	2,058
1920..	2,298	2,624	2,439	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,480
1921..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922..	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,756
1923..	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924..	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,886
1925..	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926..	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,816	1,832
1927..	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,624	1,866	1,817
1928..	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,761	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
1929..	1,912	1,556	1,792	1,853	1,690	2,246	1,754	1,942	1,803
1930..	1,866	1,127	1,484	1,624	1,666	2,025	1,875	1,982	1,596
1931..	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,508	2,025	2,166	1,428
1932..	1,736	1,000	1,230	1,303	1,767	1,348	2,043	2,127	1,411
1933..	1,713	1,118	1,175	1,195	1,714	1,487	2,061	2,106	1,409
1934..	1,660	1,261	1,288	1,274	1,735	1,540	2,015	2,018	1,471
1935..	1,602	1,217	1,344	1,325	1,729	1,508	1,964	1,996	1,469
1936..	1,566	1,331	1,480	1,351	1,731	1,684	1,969	1,997	1,543
1937..	1,772	1,406	1,604	1,451	1,750	1,678	2,430	2,006	1,656
1938..	1,746	1,051	1,789	1,549	1,747	1,871	2,238	2,059	1,662
1939..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1940..	1,854	1,362	1,568	1,567	1,784	1,882	2,890	2,298	1,713
1941..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,884	1,776	3,138	2,527	1,796
1942..	2,146	1,507	1,900	1,665	1,937	2,312	3,409	2,437	1,977

NOTE.—The index of wholesale prices above was first computed in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 82 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report* will indicate that animal fodders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. A new wholesale price index, covering basic materials and foodstuffs, has therefore been computed, in which the items have been regrouped and reweighted as indicated, and comparative index numbers back to 1923-29 are published on the next page.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices published on the previous page. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and dealers, and with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base: 1928-29 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Tex- tiles.	Chem- icals.	Rubber and Hides.	Build- ing Ma- terials.	Food- stuffs and To- bacco.	Goods principally Im- ported.	Goods principally Home Pro- duced.	All Groups.
1928-29 ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1935-36 ..	725	895	774	816	766	981	857	1,037	776	840
1936-37 ..	758	925	920	814	963	1,044	910	1,088	828	892
1937-38 ..	798	951	776	824	844	1,098	932	1,117	845	911
1938-39 ..	808	944	633	833	806	1,024	961	1,087	862	916
1939-40 ..	828	1,083	806	880	1,013	1,144	946	1,214	866	949
1940-41 ..	846	1,292	858	1,018	1,094	1,355	999	1,454	896	1,033
1941-42 ..	924	1,418	919	1,130	1,176	1,427	1,092	1,674	949	1,125
1942-43 ..	1,015	1,568	1,142	1,171	1,209	1,718	1,193	1,933	1,023	1,244
1939-40—										
January ..	829	1,096	844	922	1,082	1,139	941	1,234	864	953
February ..	830	1,097	816	923	1,098	1,200	947	1,249	869	961
March ..	833	1,140	834	923	1,089	1,201	960	1,266	880	974
April ..	849	1,152	843	924	1,063	1,203	982	1,275	898	990
May ..	835	1,274	843	924	1,084	1,201	995	1,329	908	1,010
June ..	835	1,279	838	924	1,062	1,287	982	1,352	899	1,010
1940-41—										
July ..	835	1,280	836	1,006	1,052	1,287	983	1,361	898	1,011
August ..	835	1,275	825	1,014	1,050	1,359	997	1,373	914	1,025
September ..	835	1,272	838	1,014	1,051	1,359	1,003	1,368	919	1,029
October ..	841	1,282	850	1,012	1,059	1,359	1,005	1,398	915	1,033
November ..	841	1,282	848	1,019	1,112	1,359	974	1,392	897	1,018
December ..	841	1,286	852	1,019	1,106	1,359	1,030	1,488	906	1,048
January ..	847	1,285	853	1,020	1,092	1,354	1,036	1,489	910	1,052
February ..	848	1,283	852	1,020	1,084	1,355	997	1,495	881	1,031
March ..	848	1,284	868	1,022	1,094	1,355	989	1,495	876	1,027
April ..	857	1,325	878	1,022	1,121	1,355	992	1,516	881	1,036
May ..	859	1,325	895	1,022	1,180	1,379	991	1,537	879	1,040
June ..	859	1,326	897	1,022	1,128	1,379	994	1,539	880	1,041
1941-42—										
July ..	885	1,327	878	1,022	1,132	1,382	1,027	1,554	904	1,062
August ..	888	1,351	889	1,042	1,131	1,382	1,056	1,564	927	1,083
September ..	918	1,373	898	1,123	1,131	1,382	1,069	1,615	936	1,101
October ..	918	1,377	910	1,123	1,134	1,390	1,069	1,636	931	1,103
November ..	918	1,402	914	1,146	1,166	1,399	1,071	1,676	927	1,110
December ..	924	1,400	909	1,146	1,188	1,399	1,051	1,664	919	1,101
January ..	924	1,431	905	1,158	1,237	1,399	1,056	1,658	931	1,108
February ..	926	1,438	920	1,158	1,247	1,399	1,078	1,654	950	1,121
March ..	926	1,481	929	1,160	1,189	1,399	1,084	1,671	955	1,129
April ..	950	1,480	948	1,160	1,188	1,399	1,113	1,690	975	1,150
May ..	952	1,480	964	1,161	1,185	1,600	1,187	1,843	998	1,203
June ..	956	1,480	961	1,161	1,185	1,598	1,239	1,859	1,030	1,231
1942-43—										
July ..	956	1,495	1,058	1,161	1,185	1,598	1,225	1,814	1,041	1,229
August ..	972	1,545	1,055	1,161	1,185	1,600	1,231	1,823	1,054	1,241
September ..	975	1,545	1,072	1,161	1,185	1,600	1,246	1,892	1,045	1,250
October ..	1,026	1,550	1,076	1,161	1,185	1,600	1,207	1,889	1,030	1,239
November ..	1,031	1,552	1,080	1,174	1,185	1,614	1,197	1,920	1,018	1,237
December ..	1,031	1,583	1,152	1,174	1,183	1,785	1,173	1,976	1,008	1,243
January ..	1,031	1,587	1,199	1,174	1,233	1,785	1,131	1,966	985	1,224
February ..	1,031	1,589	1,192	1,177	1,233	1,795	1,153	1,966	1,001	1,236
March ..	1,031	1,592	1,199	1,177	1,233	1,795	1,175	1,979	1,014	1,248
April ..	1,032	1,592	1,181	1,178	1,233	1,804	1,183	1,985	1,018	1,253
May ..	1,032	1,592	1,221	1,178	1,233	1,804	1,184	1,978	1,023	1,255
June ..	1,032	1,592	1,222	1,178	1,233	1,837	1,205	2,003	1,032	1,268

PRIMARY PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The annual index-numbers in the following table have been recomputed to the base 1928-29 = 1,000 from the revised series published in *Production Bulletin* No. 34 Part II. They are based in general on prices realized in the principal markets of Australia.

(Base : 1928-29 = 1,000.)

Period.			Agriculture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Mining other than Gold.(a)	Gold. (a)	All Groups.
1928-29	..	..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1935-36	..	..	803	767	711	768	735	2,061	781
1936-37	..	..	950	857	761	870	795	2,038	877
1937-38	..	..	850	789	829	817	879	2,044	836
1938-39	..	..	770	681	868	745	756	2,074	761
1939-40	..	..	760	792	873	796	789	2,289	812
1940-41	..	..	853	844	844	847	906	2,509	871
1941-42(b)	..	..	886	872	880	878	945	2,515	902
1942-43(b)	..	..	911	984	922	948	1,013	2,461	971
1941-42—(b)									
January	..	..	879	839	873	859	982	2,467	887
February	..	..	889	856	872	870	984	2,460	897
March	..	..	897	859	880	876	984	2,460	902
April	..	..	900	880	906	891	987	2,460	917
May	..	..	893	917	907	907	994	2,460	931
June	..	..	897	961	908	930	1,022	2,460	952
1942-43—(b)									
July	..	..	902	1,030	914	965	1,023	2,460	984
August	..	..	908	1,049	922	978	1,032	2,460	996
September	..	..	906	1,032	927	970	1,032	2,460	988
October	..	..	921	988	927	954	1,032	2,460	974
November	..	..	925	958	924	941	1,041	2,460	962
December	..	..	906	960	927	936	1,041	2,460	960
January	..	..	892	947	919	923	1,041	2,460	949
February	..	..	903	963	916	934	1,041	2,460	960
March	..	..	926	965	924	944	1,041	2,460	969
April	..	..	916	965	923	941	1,042	2,460	966
May	..	..	906	972	923	941	1,042	2,460	966
June	..	..	921	984	919	951	1,041	2,460	975

(a) Year ended December previous. (b) Preliminary figures subject to revision, based on average wholesale prices in the period shown.

EXPORT PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

These index-numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which constitute about 85 per cent. of all exports. The prices are multiplied by the average quantities exported during a fairly recent and representative period.

(Base : 1928-29 = 1,000.)

Year.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Month.	1940-41.		1941-42.		1942-43.	
				Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.
1928-29	1,000	1,000	July	848	882	859	894	937	966
1931-32	593	612	August	844	879	861	896	936	965
1932-33	579	601	September	846	881	862	897	937	967
1933-34	796	764	October	847	882	866	900	935	965
1934-35	615	642	November	847	883	870	904	937	966
1935-36	782	806	December	847	882	871	904	935	965
1936-37	959	975							
1937-38	850	871	January	848	883	873	906	940	970
1938-39	681	711	February	855	889	872	905	939	970
1939-40	800	835	March	859	894	872	905	944	973
1940-41	852	886	April	859	894	873	906	944	973
1941-42	869	902	May	859	893	875	907	944	973
1942-43	939	969	June	859	894	871	902	944	973

NOTE.—While the index-numbers above indicate satisfactorily the general trend of the market, they take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling in each month and consequently do not give an adequate indication of the significance of the price movements as they actually affected current sales. This is shown more accurately by the Export Price Index (Changing Base), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are changed each month.

COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

† (Base of Each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.				Retail Price Index-numbers.				Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (a)	Percentage of Unemploy- ment among Trade Unionists.
				Food and Grocer- ies.	Housing (4 and 5 Rooms).	Food Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). "B" Series.	All Items of House- hold Ex- pendi- ture. "C" Series.			
Year—										
1911 ..	..	..	..	1,000	1,000	1,000	(b)1,000	1,000	(b)1,000	4.7
1914 ..	..	..	..	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,081	948	8.3
1921 ..	..	..	..	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,680	1,826	1,087	11.2
1928 ..	..	..	..	1,761	1,743	1,755	1,675	1,963	1,172	10.8
1937 ..	..	..	..	1,521	1,488	1,510	1,448	1,707	1,178	9.3
1938 ..	..	..	..	1,534	1,540	1,568	1,488	1,799	1,209	8.7
1939 ..	..	..	..	1,657	1,577	1,626	1,526	1,846	1,211	9.7
1940 ..	..	..	..	1,679	1,590	1,644	1,588	1,889	1,190	8.0
1941 ..	..	..	..	1,693	1,595	1,654	1,673	1,997	1,194	3.7
1942 ..	..	..	..	1,843	1,596	1,742	1,809	2,164	1,196	1.6
Quarter—										
1933.										
June ..	..	..	..	1,337	1,314	1,329	1,334	1,595	1,196	25.7
September ..	..	..	..	1,359	1,311	1,341	1,340	1,587	1,184	25.1
December ..	..	..	..	1,355	1,311	1,339	1,337	1,570	1,174	23.0
1934.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,371	1,315	1,350	1,344	1,572	1,170	21.9
June ..	..	..	..	1,404	1,319	1,372	1,358	1,592	1,172	20.9
September ..	..	..	..	1,401	1,331	1,375	1,357	1,596	1,176	20.4
December ..	..	..	..	1,422	1,332	1,388	1,361	1,599	1,175	18.8
1935.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,420	1,356	1,396	1,368	1,607	1,175	18.6
June ..	..	..	..	1,425	1,363	1,402	1,371	1,609	1,174	17.8
September ..	..	..	..	1,461	1,379	1,430	1,389	1,613	1,161	15.9
December ..	..	..	..	1,460	1,390	1,434	1,391	1,620	1,165	13.7
1936.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,445	1,413	1,433	1,391	1,623	1,167	13.4
June ..	..	..	..	1,455	1,425	1,444	1,397	1,629	1,166	12.8
September ..	..	..	..	1,489	1,449	1,474	1,420	1,641	1,156	12.0
December ..	..	..	..	1,510	1,461	1,491	1,430	1,659	1,160	10.7
1937.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,510	1,470	1,495	1,433	1,662	1,160	9.9
June ..	..	..	..	1,507	1,483	1,498	1,441	1,680	1,166	9.7
September ..	..	..	..	1,526	1,499	1,516	1,454	1,721	1,184	9.3
December ..	..	..	..	1,540	1,510	1,529	1,465	1,763	1,203	8.2
1938.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,540	1,521	1,534	1,467	1,778	1,212	8.0
June ..	..	..	..	1,572	1,534	1,558	1,482	1,787	1,206	8.6
September ..	..	..	..	1,616	1,547	1,589	1,500	1,806	1,204	9.2
December ..	..	..	..	1,608	1,559	1,589	1,501	1,823	1,215	8.9
1939.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,673	1,568	1,631	1,524	1,826	1,198	9.6
June ..	..	..	..	1,654	1,575	1,623	1,522	1,847	1,214	9.5
September ..	..	..	..	1,645	1,582	1,620	1,520	1,854	1,220	10.2
December ..	..	..	..	1,657	1,584	1,628	1,536	1,858	1,210	9.3
1940.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,640	1,587	1,620	1,542	1,864	1,209	7.9
June ..	..	..	..	1,638	1,589	1,649	1,583	1,875	1,184	10.5
September ..	..	..	..	1,676	1,591	1,642	1,590	1,903	1,197	7.4
December ..	..	..	..	1,710	1,593	1,663	1,635	1,912	1,169	6.2
1941.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,713	1,595	1,666	1,651	1,966	1,191	5.3
June ..	..	..	..	1,679	1,595	1,646	1,660	1,984	1,195	3.6
September ..	..	..	..	1,673	1,595	1,643	1,675	2,002	1,195	3.2
December ..	..	..	..	1,705	1,596	1,662	1,707	2,034	1,192	2.0
1942.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,771	1,597	1,701	1,746	2,091	1,198	1.8
June ..	..	..	..	1,832	1,596	1,793	1,793	2,127	1,186	1.7
September ..	..	..	..	1,887	1,595	1,768	1,835	2,182	1,189	1.6
December ..	..	..	..	1,880	1,595	1,764	1,860	2,257	1,213	1.3
1943.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,860	1,595	1,752	1,863	2,283	1,225	1.2
June ..	..	..	..	1,891	1,595	1,771	1,897	..	..	1.1

(a) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series index of retail prices.

(b) Taken back from true base (November, 1914=1,000) by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

† The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

Heading.		Years.						
		1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1942.
Population(a)	Males	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,799,462	3,332,577	3,621,058
	Females	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,711,532	3,220,029	3,575,564
	Persons	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,510,994	6,552,606	7,196,622
Births	No.	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	118,509	136,708
	Rate	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	18.16	19.06
Deaths	No.	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	56,560	75,191
	Rate	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	8.67	10.49
Marriages	No.	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	38,882	86,060
	Rate	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	5.96	12.00
		1881-82.	1891-92.	1901-02.	1911-12.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1940-41.
Agriculture—								
Wheat	Area, acs.	2,995,814	3,334,957	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,719,042	14,741,313	12,644,646
	Yld., bshl.	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	71,636,347	129,088,806	190,612,188	82,233,324
Oats	Area, acs.	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,794	733,406	1,085,489	1,722,902
	Yld., bshl.	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,833	12,147,433	15,194,680	10,199,218
Barley	Area, acs.	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	342,396	757,447
	Yld., bshl.	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	6,085,685	6,290,672	7,133,620
Maize	Area, acs.	17,84	17,31	20,40	17,66	20,36	18,37	9,42
	Yld., bshl.	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186	269,448	362,861
Hay	Area, acs.	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	7,840,438	7,062,383	9,192,744
	Yld., tons	34,54	32,56	23,86	26,29	25,69	26,21	25,33
Potatoes(b)	Area, acs.	76,265	112,884	109,685	136,463	149,144	145,111	122,990
	Yld., tons	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	397,102	459,989
Sugar-cane	Area, acs.	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,350	241,576	273,491
	Yld., tons	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,436,890	4,213,453	5,523,416
Vineyards	Area, acs.	14,569	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	112,961	129,879
	Wine, gal.	1,438,060	3,437,598	5,262,447	4,975,147	8,542,573	14,190,522	16,009,262
Total gross value all agricultural production £		15,519,000	16,988,000	23,835,000	23,774,000	81,890,000	74,489,000	71,398,000
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—								
Live Stock	Sheep No.	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	96,886,234	86,119,068	110,618,893	122,694,095
	Cattle "	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,828,954	14,441,309	12,230,955	13,255,841
(a)	Horses "	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,420	2,278,226	2,438,182	1,775,550	1,665,616
	Pigs "	703,188	845,888	931,309	1,110,721	960,385	1,167,845	1,797,340
Wool production, (d) lb.		310,649,000	634,046,000	539,395,000	798,391,000	723,059,000	1,007,456,000	1,141,775,000
Butter production		(e)	42,314,585	103,747,295	212,073,745	267,071,340	390,654,070	432,082,922
Cheese production		(e)	10,130,945	11,845,153	15,886,712	32,653,003	31,422,973	60,004,440
Bacon and ham		(e)	16,771,886	34,020,629	53,335,092	58,626,469	71,121,740	89,373,119
Total gross value of pastoral and dairying production £		29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	72,883,000	119,399,000	103,018,000	173,755,000
		1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.
Mineral production—								
Gold	£	5,194,390	5,281,861	14,017,538	10,551,624	4,018,685	3,563,519	15,990,550
	Silver and Lead	45,622	3,736,352	2,248,598	3,022,177	1,539,992	1,443,897	6,255,860
Copper	£	714,003	367,373	2,215,431	2,564,278	803,957	567,558	1,505,200
	Tin..	1,145,889	560,502	448,234	1,209,973	418,418	216,205	1,001,179
Zinc	£	200	2,979	4,067	1,415,169	283,455	512,795	1,589,913
	Coal	637,865	1,912,353	2,602,733	3,927,360	11,014,831	6,355,246	10,871,870
Total value of all mineral production £		7,820,290	12,074,106	21,816,772	23,302,878	19,997,384	13,352,316	41,256,888
Forestry production—								
Quantity of local timber								
sawn or hewn—								
'000 sup. ft.		(e)	(e)	452,181	604,794	590,495	236,707	893,584
Factories—								
No. of factories	No.				14,455	18,023	21,657	26,971
	Hands employed				311,710	378,540	336,658	725,342
Wages paid	£				27,528,377	68,050,861	55,931,818	180,052,212
	Value of production	(g)	(g)	(g)	51,259,004	121,674,119	110,981,330	316,439,028
Total value of output £					133,022,090	320,331,765	281,645,785	773,058,971

(a) At 31st December. (b) Partly estimated for 1881. (c) Area of productive cane. (d) In terms of greasy. (e) Information not available. (f) Years ended December, except for last two columns which refer to years ended June. (g) Owing to variation in classification and lack of information, effective comparison is impossible.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA—continued.

Heading.	Years.						
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels { No. 3,284 3,778 4,028 4,174 3,111 3,057 (a) 3,814							
ent. & cleared { tons 2,549,364 4,726,307 6,541,991 9,984,801 9,081,278 11,395,784 (a) 13,545,712							
Commerce—							
Imports, oversea £ 29,067,000 37,711,000 42,434,000 66,967,488 103,066,436 44,712,868 (b) 149,355,797							
„ per head £ 12/16/2 11/16/0 11/3/11 14/18/2 18/14/1 6/16/6 20/18/6							
Exports, oversea £ 27,523,000 36,043,000 49,696,000 79,482,258 127,846,535 c 85,842,887 bc127,208,381							
„ per head £ 12/2/8 11/5/6 13/2/2 17/13/10 23/4/1 13/1/11 17/16/6							
Total oversea trade £ 56,595,000 73,754,000 92,130,000 146,449,746 230,912,971 130,555,755 b 276,564,178							
„ per head £ 24/18/10 23/1/6 24/6/1 32/12/0 41/18/2 19/18/5 38/15/0							
Customs and Excise duties £ 4,809,326 7,440,869 8,656,530 13,515,005 27,565,199 28,524,996 56,777,344							
„ per head £ 2/2/5 2/6/7 2/5/8 2/19/2 5/0/1 4/7/1 7/19/1							
Principal Oversea Exports (d)—							
Wool .. lb. (e) .. 328,369,200 619,259,800 518,018,100 720,364,900 927,833,700 893,644,148 (f)							
„ „ „ £ 13,173,026 19,940,029 15,237,454 26,071,193 47,977,044 32,102,246 58,040,901							
Wheat .. cental 3,218,792 5,876,875 12,156,035 33,088,704 59,968,334 76,440,603 (f)							
„ „ „ £ 1,189,762 1,938,864 2,774,643 9,641,608 28,644,155 19,220,203 4,044,793							
Flour .. tons 49,549 33,363 96,814 175,891 359,734 610,858 (f)							
„ „ „ £ 519,635 328,423 589,604 1,391,529 5,519,881 3,833,237 4,191,382							
Butter .. lb. 1,298,800 4,239,500 34,607,400 101,722,100 127,347,400 201,639,404 (f)							
„ „ „ £ 39,383 206,868 1,451,168 4,637,362 7,968,078 10,250,002 8,124,975							
Hides and skins £ 316,878 873,695 1,250,938 3,227,236 3,136,810 2,315,594 5,981,589							
Tallow .. £ 644,149 571,069 677,745 1,935,836 1,441,795 831,415 841,719							
Meats .. £ 362,965 460,894 2,611,244 4,303,159 5,542,102 6,370,012 14,094,013							
Timber (undressed) £ 118,117 38,448 731,301 1,023,960 1,158,166 432,595 320,400							
Gold .. £ 6,445,365 5,703,532 14,315,741 12,045,766 3,483,239 12,694,786 (f)							
Silver and lead £ 57,954 1,932,278 2,250,253 3,212,584 2,697,130 2,902,056 (f)							
Copper .. £ 676,515 417,687 1,619,145 2,345,961 705,358 472,468 (f)							
Coal .. £ 361,081 645,972 986,957 900,622 1,099,899 341,800 259,093							
Govt. Railways—							
Lgh. of line open, mls. 3,832 9,541 12,579 16,078 23,502 26,959 27,241							
Capital cost .. £ 42,741,350 99,764,090 123,223,779 152,194,603 244,353,233 323,365,450 323,545,989							
Gross revenue £ 3,910,122 8,654,885 11,038,468 17,847,837 38,194,630 37,579,965 66,481,738							
Working expenses £ 2,141,735 5,630,182 7,133,617 10,945,727 29,817,970 28,141,984 51,043,094							
Per cent. of working expenses on earnings % 54.77 65.06 64.63 61.33 78.07 74.88 76.78							
Postal—							
Letters and post-cards dealt with No. 67,640,000 157,297,000 220,853,000 453,063,000 561,973,105 g731,134,500 g941,815,900							
„ „ per head „ 29.61 49.07 58.26 100.90 102.01 111.62 131.96							
Newspapers dealt with No. 38,063,000 85,280,000 102,727,000 141,638,000 140,477,184 139,502,100 158,058,700							
„ „ per head „ 16.66 26.61 27.10 31.54 25.50 21.30 22.15							
Cheque-paying Banks (h)—							
Note circulation £ 3,978,711 4,417,269 3,399,462 3,718,458 (i) 213,868 197,121 (j) 166,616							
Coin and bullion held £ 9,108,243 16,712,923 19,780,528 33,470,770 21,626,830 2,882,026 (j) 5,161,214							
Advances .. £ 57,732,824 129,741,583 86,352,832 108,578,774 193,435,767 k260,917,515 k291,679,994							
Deposits .. £ 53,849,455 98,345,338 91,487,148 143,446,910 1273,866,737 k319,241,333 k616,428,649							
Savings Banks (m)—							
Total deposits £ 7,854,480 15,536,592 30,882,645 59,393,682 154,396,051 197,966,308 n 357,995,000							
Aver. per head of population £ 3/10/5 4/18/7 8/3/0 13/8/5 28/0/4 30/1/11 49/12/8							
					1921.	1931.	1941.
State Schools—							
Number of Schools .. 4,494 6,231 7,012 8,060 9,445 10,097 9,535							
Teachers .. No. 9,028 12,564 14,500 16,971 26,120 33,762 32,066							
Enrolment .. „ 432,320 561,153 638,478 638,850 819,042 936,901 886,655							
Aver. attendance .. „ 255,143 350,773 450,246 463,799 666,498 817,262 732,116							

(a) 1938-39 figures. (b) Merchandise only. (c) British currency values. The recorded values were: Exports, 1931-32, £A109,034,065; and 1941-42, £A159,328,498, *vide* page 15. (d) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (e) In terms of greasy. (f) Not available for publication. (g) Includes packets. (h) Figures for the first three years are averages for the December quarter; the remainder for the June quarter. (i) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue. (j) Quarter ended June, 1943. (k) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate (Commonwealth Bank) excluded. (l) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank Deposits. (m) First three years at 31st December; remainder 30th June. (n) At 30th June, 1943.

